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Negro's Appeal

THE AFRO-AMERICAN COUNCIL DOWN TO BUSINESS.

The Afro-American Council has a specific object.

It is laboring to unite men and women who are agreed that since the civil and political rights of the negro are denied or abridged in many States of the Union, it is our sacred duty to contend by legal process for a restoration of all rights to which we are entitled as American citizens.

In 1902 the Council made a gallant fight contesting the Louisiana disfranchisement law; in 1903 with herculean strength we went at the Alabama law; in 1904 we made a fight against the Pullman Company for discriminating, and in 1905 our legal advisor succeeded in wiping out the separate car laws of Florida. As custodians of a great trust committed to us, we did our best with the means in hand. Our fight is one that must go on until w eare free from every discriminating law. Now, to make this fight it takes money. As we write you this letter, our legal advisor has a case in hand in Pensacola, Fla. There the city aims to enforce the "Jim Crow" street car law, despite its unconstitutionality. The 13th Amendment to the United States Constitution which made us free, the 14th which made us men, and the 15th which made us citizens, are on trial as never before. Let us make no defense; only keep quiet and "wait." Don't agitate, just sit still and within ten years more custom will have us disfranchised and cornered until there will be no way out. Missouri has no separate car law, and yet every train going south and southwest from St. Louis, has its signs, "For Whites Only," "For Colored Passengers." The I. C. delivered its cars to the B. & O. in this city and with their discriminating signs they went on to St. Louis and Cincinnati.

As secretary of the Council I took the matter up with the superintendent and the following is an extract from his letters:

The Baltimore and Ohio Southwestern Railroad Company,
Offices of the Vice-President and General Manager,
Cincinnati, Ohio, Sept. 15, 1905.

Mr. L. G. Jordan,
726 W. Walnut St., Louisville, Ky.

Dear Sir:—

I have your letter of Sept. 13th. The signs you refer to I find securely fastened to the partitions in the Illinois Central coaches. It is not, therefore, neglect on the part of our conductors or porters that they are permitted to remain after the cars are delivered to us.

You speak of this being a violation of the law. Will you kindly give me reference thereto? We know of no law prohibiting these signs.

Yours truly,
Wm. M. Greene.

This road runs through Indiana and Ohio, the home of Vice-President Fairbanks and our late President McKinley. But to our next letter he wrote:

October 11, 1905.

Mr. L. G. Jordan,
726 W. Walnut St., Louisville, Ky.

Dear Sir:—

Further referring to our correspondence to signs in Illinois Central coaches concerning separate apartments for white and colored people, I have arranged to have these signs removed when the equipment is received from the Illinois Central, and I trust we will be able to avoid friction through this arrangement.

Yours truly,
Wm. M. Greene.

In another case, some of the best women of our race were railed at and humiliated by a conductor on the C. & O. road. This we took up with their management and the following letter is self-explanatory:

October 26, 1905.

Mr. L. G. Jordan,
Cor. Sec'y The National Afro-American Council,
726 W. Walnut St., Louisville, Ky.

Sir:—

I have your letter of October 24th, and regret that our conductor should have given offense, which is not approved by the company. He will be called to account for it.

Yours truly,
C. E. Doyle, Gen. Mgr.

another case of discrimination in a paper we called the editor's attento it and the following is an ext from his letter:

The Louisville Herald,
L. G. Jordan,
726 W. Walnut St., Louisville, Ky.

r Sir:—

beg to acknowledge your favor of 13th, enclosing two clippings from the Louisville Herald of Thursday and have carefully noted your criticism of the same.

Your criticism which is intelligent and directly to the point applies closely to conditions existing today in our great news centers. Unless viewed with liberality, these conditions can make cynics of us all regarding humanity in general. From a purely psychological standpoint, it does seem that the appetite for news at the present time runs to scandal, riot, murders and all that takes place on the dark side of life known under the general term of "human interest stuff," rather than what is good and elevating.

I am certainly much interested, as we all should be, in the manifest attempt on the part of the better class of your race to elevate itself and to improve your usefulness to society and I heartily agree with inference in your letter that an effort to expose the vicious and to suppress the good would be extremely injurious, not only to your people, but to our great American country.

With best wishes for the welfare of yourself and your undertaking, I am

Very truly yours,
Geo. A. Newman, Jr.,
Editor & Publisher.

I give these three letters to show what the Council is doing to carry out the work for which it was organized.

The Council is non-partisan, non-sectarian and stands for principles, not men; for the race and not politicians. Whatever may have been charged as a mistake in the past, the Council at its Detroit meeting purged itself and declared that it would forever stand on its original platform and begin anew the defense for the civil and political rights of the race.

The legal bureau is handicapped for want of funds to test cases constantly put into our hands. The liberty that cost the lives of thousands of heroes is too sweet to give up on demand. If agitation, is contention, if money, if life is the price of liberty, civil and political, it is worth every speech the negro has made in its defense and every drop of blood he has spilled for forty years and every dollar he has earned since 1865 to purchase it. Garrison, whose anniversary occurs this month, spent his entire life in breaking our shackels. An intrepid and uncompromising reformer, whose burning words still ring in our ears. He too fully expressed the determination of the Afro-American Council in the present fight for our political and civil rights when he declared, "I am in earnest; I will not equivocate; I will not excuse; I will not retreat a single inch; AND I WILL BE HEARD.

We would be unworthy of this great friend, whose sacrifices and sufferings for us are without parallel in history if we sit down and allow ourselves to be manacled again. No chains must be fastened about us nor strings tied to our rights. There are men among us who have freely embibed the Garrisonian spirit and these men are going to be heard.

Yours for the uplift of the race,
L. G. Jordan.

DEATH OF A PIONEER WOMAN.

Exchange.

After a long illness, Mrs. Adel Duff, wife of James Duff, answered the final summons Wednesday night. She grew weaker day by day, until death relieved her suffering. Her passing was quiet and peaceful, as though into a deep sleep.

Mrs. Duff was a native of Washington, D. C., aged 85 years and 10 months. In the nation's Capital City she married James Duff sixty-six years ago. When her husband, who was among the first to settle in Mariposa county, came to California, she remained at Washington until he had made a home here. A short time afterward she came here to join him, arriving in June, 1856. This has been their home continuously since that time. Here she came a young woman, and saw the many changes through which the old town has passed, the coming and going of many little children, who grew to manhood and womanhood, and later to old age, until she, too, having far passed the allotted three score and ten, finally succumbed to the inexorable hand of Time and was called to the great beyond. In her long life here she was ever esteemed for her kindness and sympathy. In sickness and distress she was ever among the first to render comfort and assistance, and her many kindly acts will long be remembered though the hand that performed them is here no more. Her passing marks the close of a long, useful and good life.

The funeral was held yesterday afternoon from the Duff residence. Interment was in the Catholic Cemetery.

The inaugural expenses of President Roosevelt were $145,491.

Good Work

The interest of Hon. Henry Litchfield West in the colored youth of the city has been recently again demonstrated in what promises to be a successful effort on his part to have young engineers who are graduated from the Armstrong Manual Training School employed as such in the construction of the Panama Canal.

Mr. West made a personal appeal to President Roosevelt for these young men, attesting his knowledge of their capability. He explained to the President and to Chairman Shoats of the Canal Commission the splendid work done by graduates of this school in the construction of the railroad terminals here.

These young men from Dr. Bruce Evans' school, trained by the veteran chief engineer, William H. Thomas, may be counted upon to render satisfactory service wherever placed and as their appointment hinges only upon their capability for the work it seems assured that some American colored men will be found doing skilled work on the Isthmus.

It may be recalled in presenting the engineers' license to the eight young men of Armstrong at the recent joint commencement, that Commissioner West said: "I believe that if you show industry and application, coupled with earnestness, that you will get what every man, while or black, who shows earnestness, application and industry, is entitled to—A SQUARE DEAL."

This last manifestation of the Commissioner's interest indicates that he meant what he said. Certain it is that as far as the District of Columbia is concerned every man in every walk of life gets from our junior Commissioner A SQUARE DEAL.

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Vine Hovey, agent for Burlington R. R., has a vacation for two years with full pay. He has never lost a day in 40 years' employment on the road.

Father Joseph Murgas, of Wilkes-Barre, Pa., has invented a wireless telegraphy system which instead of using the Morse Code of dots and dashes, each letter is distinguished by a musical sound.

Paragraphic News

BY MISS BEATRIZ L. CHASE.

Has it ever occurred to you that Bishop Turner might be helped, in more than one way, if he would only take the same medicine himself, he prescribes for others? "Go to Africa and build a great nation."

Mr. and Mrs. William H. Dorsey, of Philadelphia, are to be congratulated on having witnessed their 25th marriage anniversary, which was celebrated Thanksgiving evening.

Golden anniversaries do not happen in the life of all couples. Mr. and Mrs. P. B. Amos, of Philadelphia celebrated theirs on the eighteenth of last month. The groomsman of 1855 was present at the celebration.

Rev. John Holmes conducted the baptizing at Middleburg the second Sunday of November.

Mr. John A. Bird, of Detroit, Mich., has been appointed as clerk in the Interior Department.

Rev. W. H. Brooks, pastor of the 19th Street Baptist Church, preached Sunday before last in Richmond, Va., at the Ebenezer Baptist Church at eleven o'clock and at Sharon Baptist Church at 8 P. M.

The Texas Guide states that Prof. J. I. Bennett has resigned his position of Principal of the Colored Industrial and Normal Academy, to accept a clerkship under the government in Washington.

Col. R. Colton, controller and general receiver for the custom service on San Domingo, arrived in Washington last week. He says his visit here at this time is of a personal nature.

Two men were killed and nearly a dozen inured in the wreck of the Philadelphia express on the Central Railroad of New Jersey last week near Penn Haven Junction about one hundred miles north of Philadelphia.

Nine men lost their lives on the "pull boat" which burned on Middle river last week at Mobile, Ala.

Henry Hockzemo, leader of a gang of robbers at Chicago, whose loot within the past two months was about $25,000, was captured last week after a desperate fight.

The delivery of mail matter was stopped in St. Petersburg the morning of December first.

Rev. Dr. F. L. Patton, president of Princeton Theological Seminary at Pittsburg, Pa., was badly injured by a fall which was sustained while stepping off a car.

Major Story, U. S. A., who is retired and who was chief of artillery, Gen. Mackenzie, chief of engineers and Gen. Mills, chief of artillery have gone to Newport to make a personal inspection of the fortifications at Narragansett and Block Island.

Peter N. Barnes, an employment agent at Philadelphia, Pa., was held in $2,000 bail for a further hearing on charges of conspiracy and kidnapping Alexander Robinson, of Newark, N. J.

Six cadets of South Carolina Military Academy were arrested, subject to court-martial of "chastising" Cadet Leysath of Orangebury county.

Mrs. Mary Kidder, a hymn writer of note, died at Chelsea, Mass., week before last at the age of 86 years. She has written over 1,000 hymns during her life.

The silver anniversary convention of the American Federation of Labor has adjourned to meet next year in Minneapolis, Minn.

The old-time wooden freight steamer Saginaw, owned by C. W. Kotcher, of Detroit, Mich., was partially destroyed by fire while passing up the St. Clair river.

Under the direction of the Moravian Historical Society of Bethlehem, Pa., the 150th anniversary of the massacre by Indians of Moravian missionaries at Gnadenhuetten, November 24, 1755, now the site of Lehighton, Carbon County, was observed.

Thomas H. Mitchell, a bricklayer who earns $5.00 a day, is reported to have fallen heir to $9,500,000.

Mrs. Mary Jane Harris, who was supposed to be the oldest woman in the state of New York, died at New Rochelle, in her one hundred and twelfth year.

A verdict for $67,500 against Cyrus F. Judson was returned by the jury in the suit of Willard H. Jones & Co., New York, against Judson J. Leither and Joseph H. Hoadley.

The Atlanta Chamber of Commerce at Atlanta, Ga., made its annual meeting and banquet week before last, the occasion for formally launching the project for a Southern exposition in Atlanta in 1910.

It is stated that W. H. Gatcher of Washington has been appointed superintendent of the recently acquired Nashville division of the Southern Railway.

The annual report of Director Roberts of the United States Mint Bureau says that all silver bullion purchased under the acts of 1878 and 1890 is now gone, the accounts with it closed and the coinage of the silver dollar is at an end, unless in the future new legislation upon the subject is passed.

Charles H. Williams and Hartwell L. Williams, who conducted a plumbing business at Norfolk, Va., failed leaving many creditors.

William S. McWilliams, thirty years old, killed his wife and five children at their home in Des Moines, Iowa.

Mrs. Francis B. Harrison, wife of former Representative Harrison, of New York, was killed in an automobile accident in Long Island City, L. I., not long ago.

Sir Charles Hardine, who was ambassador of Great Britain to Russia, is succeeded by Sir Arthur Nicflson, the British ambassador at Madrid.

Secretary Shaw and Professor Willis Moore have returned from their trip to Florida.

President Roosevelt has removed William S. Leib as Assistant United States Treasurer at Philadelphia. The President pointed out in a letter sent to Mr. Leib violations of the civil service law that were committed by the assistant treasurer.

From The People's Advocate.

We have always admired the Washington Bee for the manly stand it takes on public questions. The Howard University editorial last week was strong and to the point. Howard is the colored people's great national university, and we would not like to see it crippled in any way; instead, we would like to see it strengthened in something, and the man, who attempts to impair the usefulness and influence of this school for "spite work" should be set aside. Whether the president be white or black, if he is qualified for the position let him remain, and if not, let him go. Give to every man a square deal and at Howard those Afro-American teachers, we hope, will be treated as those of a lighter hue. We believe the fight on Dr. Gordon will make him more considerate toward the Afro-American teachers employed at Howard.

ITEMS ON THE WING.

Secretary James E. Sullivan, of the A. A. U., sailed for Europe last week to perfect a union with the Amateur Athletic Bodies of Ireland, England and France.

A big six-days' bicycle race will be held at Madison Square Garden December 3-9. Patsy Keegan (the Irish war horse) has formed a combination with Patsy Logan.

Former Mayor L. E. Houston, of Lockport, N. Y., marked a coin in 1884, and just 21 years after he has received the same coin.

world last week (the 250th anniversary.) The colored people of the United States could observe the 285th anniversary if they were not too highstrung.

The Hebrews of the United States celebrated their advent into the new

The Crop-reporting Bureau will be abolished in the near future.

The Second Baptist Lyceum

MISS MERRITT AT SECOND BAPTIST.

"The Key to the Most Difficult Problems," was the subject of a very able and thoughtful paper, read by Miss Emma F. G. Merritt, principal of the kindergarten department, Washington public schools, last Sunday evening, at Second Baptist Lyceum. Miss Merritt began her subject by saying that long, laborious struggles are a necessary concomitant in the evolution of primitive to civilized man; and so of civilized man to the expert artist in any trade or calling. She spoke of the natural tendencies to certain callings. These she characterized as keys to the choice of a profession. The profession having been chosen, fitness, a fixed purpose and self-reliance were given as the keys to success in the chosen profession. Education is the harmonious development of all the powers; brain development, minus heart and soul development, is a dangerous power.

Passing from the subject of the true education to that of race patronage, she urged upon her hearers the importance of service as a motive, rather than racial relationship. Aside from native fitness, courtesy, grace, dignity and thoughtful consideration for the comfort and satisfaction of others, were commended as necessary traits of the business man, in order to be successful.

Those participating in the discussion which followed were Mr. Matthews, Mr. McIntosh, Mrs. Ella Chase-Williams, of South Carolina, Rev. L. C. Moore and Prof. Alex. H. Richardson. "Feeding the Serpents," is the fervid subject of Mr. W. Calvin Chase, editor of The Bee, for next Sunday afternoon. The public is cordially invited. Music by Mrs. A. V. Chase and her daughter and son, Miss Beatriz Lucinda Chase and W. Calvin Chase, Jr.

A BRAVE NEGRO AT HIS POST.

Jacksonville, Fla., Nov. 28, '05.

Dear Sir:—

Today I received a letter through the mails, copy of which follows, to wit:

"Jacksonville, Fla.

J. D. Wetmore.

Sir:—You done the wrong thing in putting Mr. Nigger up to violate the City ordinance as to the 'Jim Crow' Law, so we have decided to make it hot for you, awaiting the action of the Court on the 30th. You will either have to leave, or be in danger of your life.

8 Citizens."

And pinned to this letter was a newspaper clipping announcing the fact that the "Jim Crow" Street Car Law in Pensacola was declared constitutional on the 24th inst. by the Court Commissioner, Coston. My test case here against the local "Jim Crow" ordinance was set for hearing on the 30th inst., but as that is Thanksgiving Day it will not be tried until Dec. 1st or 4th. I suppose by enclosing the newspaper clipping these brave (?) citizens intend to notify me that unless my case met a fate similar to the Pensacola case their threats would be carried out. I am not afraid of them though, and expect to fight the case to the bitter end, and don't expect to leave town until I get ready; but I shall keep my eyes open. Mr. Purcell, my partner, argued the Pensacola case last week before a Court Commissioner, and it was decided against him, but he will argue the case before the Circuit Court Judge, Carter, on Saturday, Dec. 2nd, and if he loses there we will both go to the Supreme Court with it. You can see that we have our hands full at present, fighting two "Jim Crow" Laws. I have heard of a great many threats being made against me, but this is the first of that nature I have received. I am not surprised, however, as I have heard for the last two or three years from a score or more of white men that I ought to be made to leave the city. They have said it to my face in Court, in the City Council, in political speeches, and in private conversation on the street. But I am not losing any sleep over it, because I believe men who are cowardly enough to write an anonymous letter, will never have courage enough to hurt anybody. Will let you know the result of our two cases as soon as we get decisions in them.

Yours very truly,
Douglas Wetmore.

Nov. 28, 1905.

Near Club run in Hart County of Glasgow, Ky., is a barn owned by Charles Cosby. It consists of an overhanging bluff about 65 yards long and extends back into the hills fifty feet. What makes it an ideal place for stock is the fact that back from the opening about 25 feet the temperature never gets as low as freezing and there the stock can stay on cold days with ease.

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CURIOUS LEGAL POINT.

Shall Cremated Corpse Pay Same Rate for Carriage as Body in Coffin?

Paris.—A curious case now before a French tribunal invokes a point which has not yet come up for legal settlement. A certain New York doctor, whose name thus far is withheld, recently accompanied a wealthy western American to Italy, where his patient after a lingering illness died.

In order to avoid the trouble and formalities of carrying the body to the United States in a coffin the doctor on his own authority had the corpse cremated. The ashes were placed in a small urn, which was then packed carefully and shipped as ordinary freight on which he paid the usual tariff according to weight.

The doctor landed on the American side all right, but the steamship company discovered his secret and demanded the price of carrying a dead body in a coffin, which amounts to nearly $150 more than the doctor paid for the urn's transportation. This he refused and the case must be decided at Paris, since it was at a French port that the urn was shipped. The impression here is that the company will lose the case.

TO DUPLICATE EVERY GUN.

Precaution That Is Deemed Necessary by the Naval General Board.

Washington.—Every gun in the navy will have its duplicate to guard against any emergency and accident, if the recommendation of the naval chief of ordnance is carried out.

The naval general board, it is believed, thoroughly approves of it, and consequently the naval estimates to go before the next congress may contain a formidable item to cover the cost of producing the new guns.

Such accidents as have happened in recent years, particularly to the big turret guns of the battleships, would compel the ship to go into action in disabled condition or be laid up for months in a navy yard. The idea is to keep spare guns in stock at convenient points to immediately replace the damaged ones.

Growth of Things Out West.

A correspondent of the Checotah (I. T.) Times, and for whose veracity that paper vouches, tells the following: "The terrible news comes from the western part of the Cherokee Nation that a boy climbed a cornstalk to see how the corn was getting along, and now the corn is growing up faster than the boy can climb down. The boy is clear out of sight. Three men have undertaken to cut the stalk down with axes and save the boy from starvation, but it grows so fast that they can't hack twice in the same place. The boy is living on nothing but raw corn and already has thrown down over four bushels of cobs."

Decorated Chef.

King Edward's chef, M. Menager, was among those to receive birthday honor on the occasion of his majesty's recent birthday. He is believed to be among the most accomplished chefs in the world. He was decorated with the Victorian medal. Other recipients of that distinction are understood to feel that in conferring the medal on a cook King Edward has rather cheapened the honor.

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NEBRASKA IS RICH.

FARMERS ARE RUSHING INTO THE BANKING BUSINESS.

Nearly All Institutions in the State Started During Last Three Years Have Had Capital Furnished by Tillers of the Soil.

Lincoln, Neb.—A computation made by the state banking board the other day discloses the fact that the majority of the stockholders in the 521 state banks of Nebraska, meaning the banks in the smaller towns, are farmers. Practically all the banks started in the past three years have had their capital furnished by farmers.

The high prices that wheat and corn have brought and the bountiful character of the hay crops have made big money for most of the farmers. More of them than ever have retired from active life and turned over their farms to the boys in the past year.

At the agricultural bureau it is estimated that $25 an acre is a fair average of production for most of the farms, and this does not take into account the money for poultry, eggs and butter fat, which is usually sufficient to maintain a family. Some of the money has gone into blooded stock, some has found its way east through being deposited in banks that have been lending their surplus to New York, Chicago and Boston, and there is a whole lot that has evidently been hidden away.

The bank commissioner of Kansas is quoted as saying that while there is no way of getting accurate figures, he has reason to believe that there is as much money hidden in socks and under carpets or buried or carried as is on deposit, and Commissioner Royce, of Nebraska, agrees with this opinion. He has noticed that where farmers have started banks, the cash on hand or on deposit in other banks does not often show signs of decrease, and the only explanation is that the money deposited has been dug out of hiding places.

The last quarterly report showed $107,000,000 on deposit in all of the banks of the state, including national. If as much more is in pocketbooks or buried this would give a per capita of nearly $210 in Nebraska.

Several instances are related of how young men of ambition in Lincoln and Omaha, with training in the banking business, have gone out into some country town and induced active and retired farmers to furnish the principal portion of their capital. They were unknown in most cases to the men to whom they applied, but their recommendations and the profitable character of the business secured for them all the money they needed.

One successful young man said that he found the farmers fairly itching to get into the banking business. One of these banks, started out in southwestern Nebraska, numbers 14 former populists in its list of stockholders. They are all republicans now, and they find nothing so reprehensible about the banking business.

Country banking has become very profitable. Six per cent. dividends are the smallest reported. In one case, where the owner was manager, and combined real estate and stock buying with banking, a clear gain of 85 per cent. was noted in two years. Fifteen and 20 per cent. dividends are common.

INSURED AGAINST THIEVES

New York Hotel Proprietors Devise Plan to Protect Themselves on Patrons' Losses.

New York.—Proprietors of prominent hotels in Manhattan, including the Waldorf-Astoria, have hit upon a new scheme to protect themselves against the many robberies of patrons that have been committed of late and that seem to be constantly growing in number.

While the plan will not aid in the apprehension of the thieves, which has always been hard to accomplish, it will guarantee the hotel men against losses, which in several instances, it is said, have amounted to from $10,000 to $20,000 a year.

With the cooperation of several of the larger insurance companies a system to be known as "landlords' liability insurance" has been framed, by which, upon payment of premiums, hotelkeepers receive policies for any amount they may see fit to ask. The plan, of course, is along the lines of burglary and other insurance, except that in this case it meets a peculiar hardship by returning money that has been already paid out without consideration.

Under the existing law a hotel proprietor is responsible to each patron to the amount of $500 when the patron has been robbed in the place, and as in a majority of cases the booty is not recovered the amount is a clear loss to the hotelkeeper.

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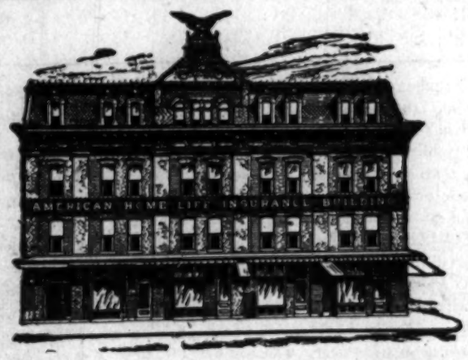

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EX-SLAVE MEETS MASTER.

Southern Negro Encounters Man Who Owned Him More Than Forty Years Ago.

Springfield, Neb.—Harry Edmundson, a well-to-do negro living two miles from here, and Mason Peters, a rich stockman, of Kansas City, met a few days ago for the first time in over 41 years since 1864. Then Harry, at the age of four years, had recently been presented to Mason Peters, the eldest son of Ashby Peters, of Clay county, Mo., on whose homestead the boy was born in slavery.

Together with his mother and five brothers and sisters, Harry had been sold at auction, but Mrs. Peters had taken a fancy to the little fellow, and at her intercession he was not delivered to his new masters, but was allowed to remain on the old homestead and was given as a present to the elder son of the family.

Soon after his mother, calling her six children to her, set out to seek her own and their freedom, having lost faith in Uncle Sam. They made their way to what is now Kansas City, Kan., where they found friends and Harry "just growed." Now he is the happy possessor of a wife and family and a fine 80-acre farm.

Through a newspaper clipping Edmundson recently located his old master and in response to a letter received an invitation to pay him a visit. The invitation was accepted and the one time slave had a pleasant time with his former owner. He has just returned to his Nebraska home.

MAKE FIGHT ON LAZY WORM

Porto Ricans Are Enthusiastic Over Medical Success—Experiment a Good One.

Washington.—That the people of Porto Rico have become thoroughly awakened and enthusiastic in their desire and endeavor to rid themselves of the scourge of anaemia, popularly designated the "lazy worm" affliction, is indicated in a report just received by the surgeon general of the army from Capt. B. K. Ashford, who is expending $15,000 this year in a campaign against that malady.

During the months of June, July and August nearly 10,000 patients had been treated, with cures in nearly every instance. In August at the medical station in Albonito exactly one-third of the population was treated. This number was 2,482, of whom only six died, 716 were discharged as fully cured, while the majority of the remainder are on the road to recovery.

The effect of the disease is to render the victim absolutely unfit for work. The disease gradually wastes away the tissues, during which time the afflicted becomes a public charge on the community. The natives believe this wasting away was from lack of food and ridiculed the idea that a cure could be effected through the use of medicine. Besides administering a cure, the medical corps under Dr. Ashford has been conducting a campaign of education in regard to sanitation. This is later to be followed with a law on the subject from which great good is expected.

CALLS HIS WIFE A WITCH.

Russian, Believing Neighbor's Stories, Refuses to Live with Helpmeet —Woman Pleads Innocence.

Freeland, Pa.—Andrew Fetchik, a Russian living at Drifton, brought his wife to the office of Dr. J. B. Houston here and asked the physician to examine her, claiming she is bewitched. He said his neighbors for months had been tormenting him about her, but until lately he did not believe them. Now he joined with them in believing that she was "possessed," and unless the doctor could do something he would no longer live with her.

Dr. Houston [illegible] make the requested examination.

Fetchik could not be persuaded to believe that his neighbors were wrong as well as himself, and declared that he no longer recognized the woman as his wife, and would not live with her.

The neighbors have accused her of an evil power, and threatened to kill her. The poor woman says her neighbors have influenced the husband against her, and denies being the author of the alleged ills of which she is accused.

RARE CONTINENTAL BILLS.

Washington Newspaper Writer Owns Collection Dating Back to 1785—Received from New England.

Washington.—Col. Ezra Nat. Hill, newspaper writer of this city, has come into possession of some rare and valuable pieces of continental money which he has been exhibiting to his acquaintances. One of the notes was issued by the city of Albany, N. Y., March 7, 1791, and the legend "Three Pence" is printed across its face in old style type.

Another note of similar value was issued by the city of Philadelphia in 1797, while a quaint bill on age-yellowed paper was issued by "the state of Massachusetts Bay" in 1785. It calls for "one Spanish milled dollar." Another note, issued by the same state calls for "two Spanish milled dollars" and still another demands seven of the dollars of the dons.

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Allentown.—Squire George Applegate, said to be the wealthiest man in Bethlehemh, 80 years old, came to the Allentown courthouse and obtained a license to marry Mrs. Augusta Wahl, 60 years old, of the same place.

When he received the license he remarked that he had not Mrs. Wahl's full consent to the wedding, but he guessed when he showed her the license she would realize he had not proposed in fun, but meant business.

Squire Applegate, when he pocketed his license, remarked further that he had already given each of his five children $30,000. In view of this he thought they ought not to object to his proposed marriage.

He drew from his pocket a huge package of deeds. On his wedding day, he said, he would give each of his children a deed for another house, and added: "And I'll have plenty for myself and wife."

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WILLS HIS BRAIN AND ARM

Gen. I. J. Wistar of Philadelphia Also Leaves Estate of $2,000,000 to Institution.

Philadelphia.—Gen. Isaac J. Wistar bequeathed his brain and right arm to the Wistar Institute of Anatomy and Biology of the University of Pennsylvania, in his will, which was filed recently, and incidentally left a fortune of nearly $2,000,000 to that institution which he founded. The general's arm was shattered by a gunshot wound during the civil war, and was saved by an interesting operation, which he wished the students of the institute which he founded to examine.

Gen. Wistar also bequeathed to the institute weapons he used in the civil war, along with trophies, pictures and various pieces of furniture. After bequeathing an aggregate sum of $50,000 to his brother and four sisters, $3,000 to a niece and $4,000 to his housekeeper, Gen. Wistar leaves the residue of his estate to the Wistar institute.

Added Blessings.

Blessed are the peacemakers. And they have a chance at that $40,000 Nobel prize, too.

ROAD HAS WOMAN HEAD.

Widow of Millionaire to Be President of Line Between Los Angeles and San Francisco.

Santa Monica, Cal.—Work has been commenced on an electric railroad from Santa Monica to Hueneme. The name of the new road is the Hueneme, Malibu & Port Los Angeles, of which corporation Mrs. May Rindge is president and H. W. Lemcke general manager. The company is capitalized at $1,000,000, and will have its offices in Santa Monica. The road follows the beach, and in Ventura county will connect with the Burson road for Ventura, and thence to Santa Barbara. Rails, rolling stock and equipment have been ordered to the east. Several hundred yards of track have already been laid and a force of 200 men will soon be at work.

The line will be extended from Santa Monica to Los Angeles, and at the other end, after reaching Santa Barbara, it is expected it will be ultimately pushed on to San Francisco. The section of the road now building is the first part of what is proposed to be a beach trolley line from Los Angeles to San Francisco.

Mrs. Rindge, whose name appears as the president of the company, is the widow of the late multi-millionaire Frederick H. Rindge, who initiated the enterprise. Rindge left an estate of $35,000,000, which fact guarantees the financial stability of the present undertaking.

WILL MOVE THE TOWN.

Steel Corporation Likely to Change Site of Sparta, Where Drills Have Been Working.

Duluth, Minn.—It is probable that the village of Sparta, two and a half miles east of Eveleth, Mesaba Range, will have to be removed to a new location near the present site.

The town, which has a population of 1,000 people, has met with the experience of Eveleth in its earlier days. Iron ore has been found beneath the town site, and to mine it it will be necessary to remove the buildings.

Diamond drilling has been in progress in the village, or close to it, for the last two years, and, while there is no official information as to the extent of the ore discoveries, it is the general understanding that the existence of large bodies of mineral has been proved.

The exploratory work has been done by a steel corporation, which controls the mineral rights in the town site. The village was established eight or nine years ago, when the Genoa mine was opened. This property is still in commission, as are the Malta, Sparta and Pettit, in the same field. The Hobart mine is a new property being opened up near Sparta.

DESIRE SANE LOVEMAKING.

Indiana Girls Oppose Late "Spooning" and More Than Two Nights a Week.

Logansport, Ind.—For the purpose of discouraging swains with a disposition to monopolize all their time and to encourage the habit of "breaking away" early, the Cupid Ten O'Clock club is waging a reform for sanity in lovemaking.

Miss Florence Moore, the founder, is the president. She declared that two evenings a week was abundant opportunity for the prosecution of the most ardent suit, and believes that "no two young people can have anything so important to say that it cannot fully be discussed in a three hour call."

Announcing in newspapers her intention to combat evils arising from too great familiarity before marriage, she called for enrolments in the new club, and declares it will revolutionize lovemaking in Logansport. She hopes to extend the idea throughout the state. Miss Moore is only 18 years old and is of a prominent old family.

PROTEST H[illegible]

Pittsburg Wom[illegible] to Write Letter to Pres[illegible]'s Wife on Race Suicide.

Pittsburg, Pa.—Pittsburg philanthropic women take exceptions to President Roosevelt's race-suicide theory. Mrs. S. E. Lippincott, superintendent and secretary of the Society for the Improvement of the Poor, after consultation with other members of the society, has decided to write to Mrs. Roosevelt asking her to persuade the president to modify his position.

This determination became crystallized when a woman who had been deserted by her husband and is penniless, applied for aid. She is the mother of 17 children, seven of whom are dead "and happy." Another is in the institution for the feeble minded, at Polk, Pa. Although reduced to extreme poverty by the desertion of her husband, the woman wants to apply to the president for a medal as an example of his ideal wife and mother. Mrs. Lippincott said:

"What with the wretchedness and distress of these big families raised by the shiftless poor, the equally large families brought by immigrants to this country, and the menace they are to our nation and to society, I purpose writing to Mrs. Roosevelt an appeal to her womanhood against this indiscriminate applauding of unwelcome conditions."

PREMONITION OF HIS DEATH

Brooklyn Man Dreamed of the Fate He Met—Killed in Recent Wreck.

Brooklyn, N. Y.—Carl Emil Thornland, of Brooklyn, who was killed in the recent wreck on the Santa Fe railway, near Kansas City, had a remarkable premonition of his death. He lived with his daughter, Mrs. Thoren, in Brooklyn, but had decided to visit his other children living in San Francisco. On several occasions before his departure he predicted that he would never reach his destination.

"Three weeks ago he received an invitation from his son in San Francisco to visit him, but it was only last week that he fully made up his mind to leave us," said his son-in-law.

"The old man awakened my wife and me by uttering loud screams in his sleep, and each time we awakened him he declared that he had just dreamed he had been killed in a railroad wreck. Just before he left the house to go to the train, he declared that he had received a few minutes before a message from God telling him to make preparations for his entrance into Heaven. We coaxed him not to go, but he insisted that if that was the way God wished him to die, he was always willing to abide by His word. Before leaving the house he made us all kneel in prayer, and before he had finished his face was suddenly lighted up with a heavenly light such as I had never seen before. 'I am ready to go now any time the dear Lord calls me,' he said, and it was not until he had reached the railroad station that he again broached the subject."

Newspaper for Engaged Couples.

A newspaper for engaged couples is the novel innovation in Swiss journalism. The first edition of this new journal states that the object of the paper is to supply a list of engaged couples to tradesmen for business purposes. There appear to be 12,000 engaged couples in Switzerland, and their names and addresses are given in the paper. The new journal will appear twice a week.

What Russia Needs.

Each of the Russian grand dukes receives a salary of $1,000,000 a year. We believe their places could be well filled by cheaper men.

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VAST AMOUNT NEEDED TO DEFEND SEABOARDS.

Chief of Engineers Tells of Plans for Repulsing Invaders—Big Sum Has Already Been Expended on Project.

Washington, D. C.—Sixteen million dollars will be necessary to complete the engineering work of fortifications of the seacoasts of the United States under the plans of the Endicott board, according to the report of Brig. Gen. Alexander Mackenzie, chief of engineers.

There has already been appropriated for this purpose $28,693,434. Permanent projects at 31 different points have been adopted, and most of them are well under way.

The defense of the great lakes and the St. Lawrence river is under consideration.

The estimate for the completion of these fortifications does not contemplate anything more than the projects outlined by the Endicott board. Modern appliances and additional projects which may be adopted by the Taft board, appointed last summer, and the fortifications of the insular possessions may increase the estimates when additional work is approved by congress.

It is estimated that $4,263,364 will be required to put into execution by the engineering department the schemes of the artillery and signal corps for fire control of the seacoast defenses.

Work has been progressing on the fortifications for the defense of Manila bay and Subig bay, Philippine islands, and on the purchase of sites for fortifications in Hawaii. Two million dollars will be spent at Manila, $500,000 at Subig bay, and $846,100 at Hawaii.

The total estimates for fortification works under the engineer department for the fiscal year 1907 amount to $11,424,153.

An estimate of $75,000 is made for improvements in the Yellowstone National park. Expenditures on river and harbor improvements in the United States reached $22,383,623. This does not include $2,265,073 under the Mississippi river commission and $97,575 for the enlargement of Governor's island, N. Y.

No estimates are made this year for river and harbor improvements save those provided for under continuing contracts, which amount to $17,456,801, to which is added, among other estimates, $2,000,000 for the Mississippi river commission. Among the estimates for the continuing contracts are the following:

Mississippi river, between Missouri river and St. Paul, Minn., $300,000, and between St. Paul and Minneapolis, $299,543; Ohio river, locks and dams, $1,281,376; movable dams, Ohio river, $653,400; St. Mary's river at the falls, Michigan, $600,000; Hay lake channel, Michigan, $1,000,000; Detroit river, Michigan, $700,000; Cleveland harbor, $550,000; Black Rock harbor and Erie basin, New York, $237,643; Mississippi river at Moline, Ill., $286,000; Kentucky river, Kentucky, $174,000; harbor at Duluth, Minn., and Superior, Wis., $150,000; Holland harbor, Michigan, $110,000; Sandusky harbor, Ohio, $175,000; Huron harbor, Ohio, $200,000; Black river harbor, Ohio, $46,000.

HUSBAND BALKS AT SNUFF

Says Mother-in-Law Uses It and Disturbs Domestic Happiness—Veteran Not Her Match.

Springfield.—Too much mother-in-law is the complaint of John P. Bambush, 75 years old, who was married by City Clerk E. A. Newell to Agnes Goodwin, 34 years old.

After their marriage the bride's mother, who is 85 years old, came to live with them, and so disturbed the serenity of their honeymoon, it is alleged, that Bambush applied to Agent A. E. White, of the overseers of the poor, to have his mother-in-law examined as to her sanity. Agent White referred the aged bridegroom to the police.

Bambush's chief objections to his mother-in-law are that she uses snuff, which is very offensive to him, and that she nags him and interferes with his domestic tranquillity.

Bambush is a veteran of the civil war, and bears several wounds received in combat, but he freely admits that he is no match for his octogenarian mother-in-law.

A TEN-YEAR-OLD DRUMMER.

Mount Pulaski Boy Is Phenomenon in His Line—Has Acquired Some Fame.

Mount Pulaski, Ill.—Cary L. Robards, the ten-year-old son of Mr. and Mrs. John L. Robards, of this town, is well known here and in neighboring towns as a drummer boy possessing more than ordinary talent for beating music from the snare drum. He is truly a "natural born" drummer, and was named after his great-grandfather, Cary Tibury, who was a noted drummer, in the war of 1812.

At the early age of two years Cary could beat good time with the sticks, and when but five he led the Lincoln school drum corps at Springfield in the big parade on Bryan's day during the campaign of 1900. He figured prominently in the campaigns of 1900 and 1904 at many rallies throughout central Illinois and always attracted and won admiration wherever he played.

Assumes Novel Phase.

The labor question at Bombay presents a novel phase. The men employed in the cotton mills there are agitating for longer hours. They want a return to the old 13-hour day in place of the present day of 12 hours, with extra payment for the additional hour.

CAT ROUTS A BLACK BEAR

Bruin Was Foraging and Made Unfortunate Visit to Kitchen Where Cooking Was Going On.

Monkton, Vt.—A black bear which has terrorized the inhabitants of this town for more than a week met his match in a fair-sized tomcat, and the result was that hunters followed the animal and his skin now hangs in the shed of Thomas Sheehan, who never saw a bear, except in a circus, until he killed this one.

Bruin first made his appearance some time ago. It was in the early evening that he was first seen by some little children, who ran to their homes with the story. Mark Thompson started after the animal and found him rummaging in a neighbor's garbage tub. Just as Thompson was drawing a bead, Bruin turned and charged the man, who fled.

Bruin became more bold as the days went by, and one afternoon made his appearance at the kitchen door of Mr. Sheehan's house. Mrs. Sheehan was cooking, and the odor passing through the open door probably attracted the bear. Sleeping beneath the stove was "Phil," the cat, an animal famous in the town because of its many victories over dogs. When Bruin thrust his nose through the door, Phil rushed from his resting place, and, with fur erect on end, spat and growled. Bruin advanced a trifle and then Phil gave a leap, landing squarely on the intruder's head. This was too much for the bear and he turned and ran, with Phil clinging on, continuing to dig his claws into the bear's hide.

Attracted by the cries of his wife, Mr. Sheehan, with two farm hands, went in pursuit of the bear and after a half hour's chase killed him.

The animal weighed over 400 pounds and Mr. Sheehan not only sold the meat, but will also get a good-sized bounty from the state. He intends to have the skin made into a rug.

KEEPS PROFANITY CENSUS.

Washington Man Declares There Are 21,053,179 Swearing Men in the Country.

Washington, D. C.—"Just look at this!" exclaimed the man who has weakness for statistics, pushing to one side a big volume of census reports, a bulletin from the bureau of education, and a pile of copies of a religious publication. "In this country are 21,053,179 male persons who swear."

"How do you figure that out?" asked the patient listener.

"It's easy enough," replied the man of many figures. "All you need is to be able to read, add, subtract, divide and multiply.

"According to a table in this volume the male population of the United States in 1900 was 39,059,242. From the same source I learn that there are 21,329,819 men of voting age. At least four-sevenths of these I believe from careful observation are addicted to the use of profane language upon occasion. In other words, 12,188,468 men of 21 or older swear, at least occasionally.

"Deducting the number of males of voting age from the total male population we have left 17,729,423 boys. Very nearly 50 per cent. of the schoolboys and fully 100 per cent. of the office boys—the whole number conservatively estimated at 8,864,711—cuss. Add this figure to that representing the men who are profane and we have the grand total I quoted in the beginning.

"I didn't gather these figures in any haphazard fashion," he continued. "I travel extensively and observe closely. In the last two years, particularly, I have made a special study of men who swear, their environment, their habits of life, their general character."

"It's deplorable," ventured his listener. "And the women—how about them?"

"God bless 'em. I hoped you wouldn't bring them into this game," came the reply.

HAS A CANINE ON WHEELS

Braintree, Mass., Man Possesses Queer Freak in Kangaroo Dog Minus Front Feet.

East Braintree, Mass.—"Jere" Sullivan is the owner of a freak in the shape of what may be called a kangaroo dog, but, unlike a kangaroo, he has no front feet. "Funny" is his name, and he is a black and tan, clever and perfectly healthy.

Three months ago Funny was born, and since then he has been the object of great curiosity.

In the place where his forepaws ought to be there are only hard bunches, and the skin is not broken.

Funny has three modes of locomotion—one walking erect on his hind legs, another hopping along with his chin on the floor, and the third on a pair of wheels which his master made for him and occasionally straps on to his shoulders.

With the wheels the freak puppy goes all over the house, up and down stairs, and a great time he has playing with little four-year-old Margaret Sullivan. The two have an affection for one another and Margaret will never eat till Funny has been fed.

Finds Needle in Arm.

Edward Ryan, a track foreman on the Big Four at Lawrenceburg, Ind., experienced an itching sensation in the muscle of his left arm, and, noticing a small red lump, opened it and discovered a needle an inch in length, which he extracted. Nearly 20 years ago, Mr. Ryan, while residing in Cincinnati, accidentally swallowed a needle, and a physician made an unsuccessful effort to extract it. He suffered considerable pain for a few days and no further annoyance was felt, and the accident was forgotten until the other day.

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HOWARD UNIVERSITY.

It is an aphorism only too true, that "If you attempt to please everybody you will please no one." A public journal should be so edited that the sentiment expressed editorially or otherwise, should be impartial; provided that the interests of all sides are not injured. If one side is wrong in its contention it is optional with the editor whether he takes the right or the wrong side of the controversy. The investigation: The Bee article of "The Tempus in a Teapot at Howard University" was published in full some few months ago. Before the investigation, Dr. Gordon was charged with being inimical to the best interest of the University. Upon investigation it was discovered that he, as President of the University, placed certain restrictions on certain teachers of that institution. This Dr. Gordon denied in an interview with a representative of this paper. Must The Bee, that always defended the interests of the colored people, condemn Dr. Gordon because others have personal grievances? Has not The Bee for twenty-six years stood alone in the city against opposition? Has it not at all times stood by the colored citizens and with what result? Has the colored citizens demonstrated by their acts that they supported the paper, even by their subscriptions for one month, or one year? Have the citizens of this city supported any enterprise that would advance their interests? Are there not hundreds of young boys and girls graduating from our public schools yearly, walking the streets looking for work and cannot obtain any? And why? It is because the negro doesn't look out and protect his own interests.

Now relative to the protest against Dr. Gordon and Howard University. It is complained that Dr. Hamilin was paid a certain amount of money as acting President of Howard University. How many colored citizens in this and other cities contributed to the fund that paid Dr. Hamilin? How many colored people contributed yearly for the support of Howard University aside from what Congress appropriates? If the existence of Howard University depended upon the colored people, the institution could not exist a day. Dr. Hamilin is a yearly contributor to Howard University and all former Presidents of that institution. The The Bee is making no defense of Dr. Hamilin, because he needs none. His work at Howard University speaks for itself.

So far as Dr. Gordon is concerned he is not against the negro at Howard University. The negro is against himself and if the investigation committee recently appointed to investigate Dr. Gordon, will investigate all the departments in the institution, The Bee is of the opinion that it could suggest and recommend some important reforms. Now suppose Congressional support was withdrawn from Howard University, would the ten millions or more colored people in the United States contribute enough money to keep the doors of Howard University open? No! No! The very fact that these ten millions or more negroes refuse to contribute to uphold their civil and political rights and to protect their wives, their daughters and their babes from mob violence; certainly they would not contribute anything to educate their boys and girls. The negro has not enough interest in himself and none in his race. Many of the race representatives in this city are now appealing to the Chief of Police to condone all offenses committed by a negro, notwithstanding its gravity. If such are the methods pursued by so-called negro representatives, what may be expected from the ignorant? Howard University is in a more prosperous condition today, and it has been for 3 years, than ever before. It is the greatest institution in the United States for the education of the colored youth. It is the duty of the colored race to stand by this institution and do everything to advance its prosperity. The two colored members of the investigating committee are honorable and upright men. Dr. Grimkie and Mr. Mereweather are men of integrity and it is hoped that they will not allow racial sentiment to persuade them from doing what is right and proper. That reform at Howard University is needed no one will deny. Dancing among the male and female students should be stopped at once. There should be a stricter supervision over the female department and no young lady student-boarder should be permitted to leave the University unattended. The matron should see to it that the male and female students are kept as far apart as possible. Young ladies should not be permitted to sit upon the campus. It looks bad. The petition that was signed by the students against the President of the University demonstrates the rebellious spirit that is formenting the atmosphere around the University.

The deans and faculty at the University are subject to the President and should obey him or resign. The Bee will oppose any oppression against the students, if any exists, but, it will not be a party to destroy the influences of any individual to appease the selfish ambition of any individual who may have a personal grievance. Howard University is in need of a high class manual department with a competent faculty and it is hoped that the investigating committee will recommend the abolition of every unnecessary department in the institution. The law and medical departments are on a high class order. These two departments have competent teachers and efficient secretaries who have brought their respective departments up to a high standard.

The amount of money that is expended for the support of Howard University runs into thousands and during the last five years The Bee ventures the assertion that not five hundred dollars has been contributed by the colored people. The Bee is for Howard University and its prosperity, its enemies, to the contrary, notwithstanding. Someone went so far as to criticise Dr. Shadd because of his loyalty to the University. There is not a braver man, a more honorable man and a more loyal race man than Dr. Shadd. He is one of the highest productions of the institution and today some of the brightest minds in the negro race are graduates from Howard University. Many of them surpass Yale, Amherst, Harvard, Princeton and other great institutions in this country. Let Howard University live and let no man or woman be a party to its destruction to appease a selfish ambition.

NEGROES, OPPORTUNITY.

Elsewhere in The Bee will be seen and read with interest the appeal of the Afro-American Council for funds which are to be used in defending the colored people against discriminating laws which have been enacted in violation of the Constituion of the United States.

Here is an opportunity for the negroes to show their liberality and the amount of interest they have in maintaining their rights and to wipe out the [illegible] "Jim Crow" car laws. While the appeal is meritorious, it seems to The Bee that the people in the state of Florida should have interest enough to contribute sufficient to employ counsel to fight these laws without appealing to the entire country. It is just what we have been stating from time to time, that the colored people have not interest enough in themselves to sacrifice a few dollars to protect themselves against physical oppression. This is the best opportunity that has ever been presented to contradict the declaration made by The Bee. Mr. Jordon has in a concise and pointed manner stated what is really necessary for the colored people to do. Will they do anything? This civic organization in this city that has been declaring declaration of principles should now show what it can do. Will it do anything? Here at the Capital of the Nation, where enough laws are made to float twenty states and all the territories, "Jim Crow" cars are permitted to enter the city of Washington without a protest.

What is the negro population of the State of Florida? The Bee commends Mr. Jordon, but it believes that he is making a mistake by going outside of the states in which these "Jim Crow" car laws are enacted. If the states in which these crimes are permitted to be perpetrated will not contribute funds to obliterate them. The people ought to suffer. The Bee commends the work of the Council, but it does seem that the colored people ought to do something themselves instead of passing their hats around to those who have troubles and burdens of their own.

In this city about a quarter of a mile from the White House and three quarters of a mile from the Capital, "Jim Crow" cars were allowed to enter and in these cars you will find signs that read as follows: "This is for White People;" "This is for the Colored People." This is the negroe's opportunity for them to show just what they mean and will do.

SWEEPING SCHOOL CHANGES.

Congress Faster, of Vermont, introduced a bill in the House of Representatives Monday, revolutionizing the entire public school system in the District of Columbia. The bill, to a certain extent, has one good feature and no more. That one is to increase the salary of teachers. There is no other feature in the bill that is a benefit to the school system. There is no reason for changing the appointive power of the Board of Education. Why should the President be asked to appoint the board? The commissioner of the District of Columbia are better qualified to appoint the members of the Board of Education than the President. In the first place the commissioners are better acquainted with the people and are more competent to select the proper men. Another bad feature in the bill is the subordination of the colored teachers, who do the same work and are equally qualified as the white teachers. Why should the colored teachers receive less pay than the white? Why should the schools be designated as white and colored? We are all American citizens under the constitution. If the teachers are to be designated, why not designate the first and second division and not white and colored. Since both divisions do the same work, why not give the teachers the same pay?

If Mr. Faster, the gentleman from Vermont, has any doubt as to the ability of the teachers in both divisions, put them in competition examination with impartial examiners and see if the teachers in the division that the gentleman has designated as colored don't pass as good an examination as the whites. Why should there be only one white superintendent? There are nearly ninety thousand colored people in the city who pay taxes on over fifteen million dollars worth of property. Are they not entitled to a superintendent of their own? There is mischief in this bill and the colored people especially should oppose it. The bill draws the color line. The idea of a Congressman from the great state of Vermont introducing a discriminating bill in Congress when a man is not supposed to be designated by the color of his skin or the curl of his hair. The people of the District should be permitted to control their schools if nothing more. They are not permitted to control anything else. Not even such a small office as Justice of the Peace. Defeat the Faster bill, it is a "Jim Crow" measure.

LAST ONE?

There is excitement among the place hunters of this city, because it is claimed that only one Justice of the Peace for the colored people is to be appointed and he is Mr. R. H. Terrell. This appointment was made on the recommendation of Mr. Booker T. Washington. Some few days ago Mr. Washington called at the White House accompanied by Mr. Terrell and requested the President to direct the Attorney General to reappoint Mr. Terrell. The President, it is said, called Mr. Geat and told him to direct the Attorney General to reappoint Mr. Terrell as there was no reason why he should not be. Of course there have been no charges filed against the gentlemen.

The most disappointed gentleman is Justice E. W. Hewlett, who has been attending to the business of the people instead of looking after his own offiices, as the Bee told him some time ago, Mr. Hewlett can only blame himself.

There is nothing certain in life but death and taxes and unhappy is the man who depends on an office. As a Justice of the Peace Mr. Terrell has given satisfaction. There is nothing against his record as such an officer. He resigned the principalship of the High School to accept the place and it is no more than fair that he was appointed. The members of the bar will no doubt welcome Mr. Hewlett's return to active practice and he has no doubt learned one lesson: It is better to look after your own fence when it needs fixing instead of attempting to repair other people's.

COMMISSIONER WEST.

The people of this city and indeed of the entire country will read with much pleasure and gratification, the efforts of Commissioner H. L. West in behalf of the colored youth in the Armstrong Manual Training Schools under the direction of Dr. Bruce Evens, who has made such a successful director. Dr. Evens has succeeded in placing a number of his graduates in engineering in responsible positions. It now appears that he has interested Commissioner West and President Roosevelt in a plan to have a number of his graduates appointed on the Panama Canal as engineers. The correspondence between Dr. Evens and Commissioner West and Presirent Roosevelt fully demonstrates what Dr. Evens is doing and what he has done. The colored citizens of this country are grateful to Dr. Evens and Commissioner West for this act in elevating the colored youth.

A big coal strike and lockout affecting 500,000 workmen will take place April 1, 1906. We had better take due notice.

Peter Horn of Morris, Ill., aged 84, proved that his wife, aged 77, had hugged and kissed her brother-in-law, aged 72, and a judge denied her a divorce for which she had applied.

NOTES.

The Bee, Home News, and The Guardian represent the advanced thought of negro jurnalism. The Age, New York and other journalistic apologists to the contrary, notwithstanding. When these three papers speak the world knows it. See?

Prof. Hugh M. Brown is one of the greatest educators in this country and The Bee regrets to hear of his retirement from the Chiney, Pa. school. Will the Reporter give us more light?

The "Jim Crow" school bill will never become a law. Mr. Faster should return to Vermont and learn the difference between color and ability.

While The Bee has no anamosity against Prof. Moors, it is true that Prof. Moore gave a reception and Dr. Gordon was invited and was present as one of his distinguished and honored guests. For the benefit and information of the Charlotte Messenger, The Bee takes pleasure in giving its able contemporary this indisputable information.

The editor of the Freeman ought to have sense enough to know that a printer's devil gets things mixed sometimes. The Freeman has been mixed for a number of years.

The editor of the Bee is well pleased with Public Printer Stillings, but he would have been greater pleased had his distinguished young friend, Hon. Oscar J. Ricketts, been retained as Public Printer. The nation wanted Mr. Ricketts, the President wanted Mr. Stillings. The President is boss. See.

Executor Cheatham was in the city and his visit was agreeable. He was well taken care of notwithstanding the treachery of those who conspired against him. The President thinks well of him.

The Bee begs leave to inform the Frederick, Md. Hornet, that it has nothing against Prof. L. B. Moore, of Howard University. The Bee never straddles on anything, but it stings such live objects that in its opinion need to be stung, the Hornet not excepted.

The Bee has ceased talking of other people's grievances. Howard University is improving and when there are changes made in several of the departments of that institution, it will be better. Some negro editors are like some other people. If you justly criticise a measure of some people, the negro editor will say you are abusing them. If a negro disgraces his position, some negroes and negro editors will say: O! he is a colored man and if he is removed no other negro will be appointed in his place. This is poor philosophy and the sooner the negro gets rid of such sophistry the better it will be for him. The so-called educated negro is famous for such declarations. We have examples of them in this city. It makes no difference what crime a negro commits, the Washington negro is the first to cry out: O! he is a colored man and for that reason he should not be removed. There are the negroes who are continually demanding equality before the law and the moment they are about to receive it, they appeal to the powers to stay the hand of execution.

PRESS COMMENTS.

PROF. HUGH BROWN.

From The Little Rock Reporter.

The surprising announcement comes from Cheney, Pa., of the fact that Prof. Hugh Brown, principal of the Cheney Institution, has resigned at the request of the board of trustees of that institution. Mr. Brown is one of the very prominent colored educators in this section and was for a number of years connected with Howard University, and later principal of the colored public schools in Baltimore, from which position he was appointed principal of the Cheney Industrial Institution. Professor Brown recently married Mrs. Purnell, a sister of Dr. F. J. Shadd, one of the most prominent physicians in the city of Washington. The resignation of Mr. Brown is received with great surprise.

From The Freeman.

What are we to think of W. Calvin Chase's mental or physical condition last week, when he ran an old cut of William McKinley on the front page of The Bee and labeled it "Whitlaw Reed, Minister to England"?

From The Freeman.

For some reason or other Editor W. Calvin Chase is not pleased with the appointment of Charles B. Stillings as Public Printer. Mr. Stillings is all right and Chase will be chief tooter on the band wagon in three shakes of a lamb's tail.

From The True Reformer.

We met Hon. H. P. Cheatham on the cars last Monday returning home from a trip to Washington, D. C. Mr. Cheatham was very jubilant and highly pleased with his visit to Washington. While he had nothing to hand out for publication, it could be seen that some one had put a bee in his ear, whose hum had revived in him the sweet hope of success. He had an audience with the President and met Senator Pritchard and other big men in Washington.

He has the utmost confidence in the President's policy and declares that the President is a true friend to the negro.

HOWARD UNIVERSITY.

From the Charleston Messenger.

The Bee of Washington goes for the professors and persons who fought President Gordon of Howard University soon after he began to rearrange matters at Howard University. The Bee claims that if they objected to the president before he began his reform movement, they should stick to it; and not begin to fine fault with him as soon as he began to curtail their power and dispense with their services. Of course it is a tempest within a tea-pot. But we certainly would be glad to see things righted at the race's leading university. It is claimed that one of the most aggressive professors against the president a few months ago gave a reception the other night and the president was the honored guest. Can it be as The Bee intimates?

WHY NOT "BUTT IN."

From the Atlanta Independent.

Every time you hear the list of the anti-Washington papers you hear the names of The Guardian, The Bee, Home News, and the list is exhausted. These three sheets style themselves the leaders of the Afro-American press. The latest addition is the attempt of the Portland, Oregon, Advocate to "butt in."

AN ANNIVERSARY.

From The Seattle Searchlight.

The 54th anniversary of the settling of Seattle was celebrated with a clam bake at Alki Point, the scene of the first landing.

From the Cleveland Journal.

Editor D. R. Wilkins, of the Chicago Conservator, has been appointed member of the Chicago Charter Convention by Mayor Dunne. The Chicago Leader calls attention to the fact that the Democrats have taken occasion to recognize a competent negro, whereas the grand old party has quietly passed us by. Here is more food for reflection.

From The Frederick Hornet.

The Investigating Committee on the removal of Dr. Gordon from the presidency of Howard University is now in the throes of its work. The Bee last week in its effort to sting Dr. Moore for some cause we know not, tried to straddle both the committee and Dr. Gordon. Pray tell us, where does The Bee stand anyway? It is well the committee or Dr. Gordon? It rants about personal grievances and notwithstanding its whole article is tinged with a personal grievance against Prof. Moore. Brother Chase, why don't you come out with your grievance against Dr. Moore, whatever it is?

From Young People's Private Opinion.

Instead of starting up just at present this small, unpretentions paper, we might have waited first to become a graduate of Harvard, or until after we had succeeded in interesting enough men of our race in the enterprise to form massive stock company; or we might have procrastinated until some one else had taken the initiatory step in issuing a publication for negro young people. Yes, we might have waited to do big things, and might have accomplished nothing after all. But rather we have desided to wait no longer for a supposed golden opportunity to turn up. We have essayed to begin now doing what we can along this line, bending every effort to stir up substantial results and to achieve some degree of success for the good of our people. Loyal, race-loving young folks are the ones who are going to interest themselves in the success of this paper. We do not expect any support from that giddy element that believes in and practices the fatal doctrine of "eat, drink and be merry for tomorrow you may die."

From the Chicago Conservator.

A great many of our colored editors write as though the whole race were a set of unthinking children. Many of these editors, who it seems are afraid to utter an opinion without first consulting the Tuskegee Censor, speaking of the President's recent tour and the speeches that "distilled as the dew," say: "Now we know what those who have hitherto opposed the doctrine of surrender will cease their contention." And upon what ground do you think they base their hope and expectations? Simply this: President Roosevelt has endorsed the work at Tuskegee. This effort to make believe that those among the negroes who have contended for the rights of citizens were in opposition to Professor Washington's school work is one of the most despicable attempts of little men to array President Roosevelt against a set of men who wish him well, and who are in all respects, save that of subserviency, the superior of these bullet-headed editors who vainly strive to curry favor with Mr. Washington by a delicate misrepresentation of an increasingly large body of American citizens. No man who believes and has the courage to say that the negro is entitled to the "square deal" so loudly proclaimed by the President himself has ever to our knowledge said one word against the grand work Professor Washington has done and is doing at Tuskegee. But all reasonable liberty-loving negro Americans insist and will continue to insist that when they ask for the bread of justice they will not be given the stone of "Go to Tuskegee."

Mr. D. C. Wormley went on a visit to Cleveland.

Mrs. Caroline Mack, of Middleburg, Va., is in the city.

Miss Maggie Ethridge of Roanoke Island is in the city.

Rev. D. C. Jones will be in the city for six months or more.

Mrs. Wormley and son went to Philadelphia to visit Mr. and Mrs. Harry Minton.

Miss S. E. Robb and Mr. S. W. Rutherford were entertained by Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Page while in Philadelphia.

Mr. and Mrs. Smallwood have gone to Omaha, Nebraska, and expect to make it their home.

Miss Lilliam Williamson, one of our teachers, spent Thanksgiving at her home in Philadelphia.

David A. Clark was defeated for the presidency of the Young Men's Immediate Relief last Tuesday night.

Rev. L. E. B. Rosly, D.D., the newly appointed pastor of Miles Memorial' C. M. E. Church, has arrived in the city and will preach Sunday.

Dr. Geo. H. Richardson, who met such a painful accident some few weeks ago, has suffciently improved to be at his desk again, greatly to the gratification of his friends.

Miss M. A. Hunter left the city last Saturday for Richmond, Va. She will return today and leave the city December 29th for St. Louis, Mo., and enter Providence Hospital as superintendent of trained nurses.

Mrs. Otta Brooks Jones is in the city, the guest of her father and mother, Rev. Walter H. Brooks and wife. She will remain until after December 25th. Mrs. Jones has had a delightful time since her return to her old home.

Attorney W. L. Green, of Cleveland, Ohio, was in the city last week, the guest of his father and mother, Hon. and Mrs. John P. Green. He left Friday, accompanied by his wife, who has been the guest of her father- and mother-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Green.

Mr. Hamilton N. Hayes, of Baltimore, secretary of the First Patriarchie Regiment of the Grand United Order of Odd Fellows, was in the city this week to attend the convocation of Patriarchie No. 18. While here he was the guest of Grand Director W. L. Houston.

Mr. and Mrs. Benjamin Parker, who were entertained by Mr. and Mrs. W. Mitchell last week at their home, 1335 V street, N. W., left for their home in Atlantic City, N. J. Among those present at the reception given in their honor were Mr. and Mrs. James Holmes, Mr. and Mrs. Robert Harris, Mr. and Mrs. Bird, Mr. and Mrs. Rollins, Mr. John Webb, Mr. F. M. Simms, and Mr. Hutton.

Y. M. C. A.

Every available space in True Reformers' Hall was crowded last Sunday afternoon to its fullest capacity. It was the most distinguished gathering of young men that has ever assembled in this city. Much interest is being manifested in the success of the Association than ever before. The speaker of the occasion was Rev. D. Webster Davis, of Richmond, Va. The subject of his address was "Seven Up." For fifty-five minutes Rev. Davis delivered one of the most logical and eloquent addresses that has ever been delivered in this city. His comparisons and illustrations were timely, amusing and entertaining. He is no doubt the most entertaining speaker in this country. Seated upon the stage were Dr. W. Bruce Evans, Rev. Walter H. Brooks, James H. Howard and others. Dr. Connors, and Prof. J. T. Layton conducted the music.

THE WHIST CIRCLE.

There was a most delightful gathering at the Whist Circle last Tuesday evening. Miss Maul Lockley, the accomplished pianist, gave the circle a few new dances. Miss Minta B. Simmons, the director, assisted by Miss Wille Curson, served the guests in royal style. Miss Curson, who has charge of the refreshments, did not fail to do her duty. There were lots of new faces and many well dressed young ladies. Among the new guests seen at the circle were Misses Mollie Young, Ella Willis, Sarah Jackson, Anna Kirby, Dorah Fastey, Ester Duckett, Anna Shaw, Mrs. Martha James, nee Peck, who was recently married to Mr. James, was one of the graceful dancers last Tuesday. Mesdames Hall, Lucus, Jeffries, Quals, Mamie Young, Lottie Stevens, Messrs. L. K. Chambers, one of the most graceful and entertaining dancers at the circle, J. H. Harris, S. F. Taylor, Alonzo Cole and others.

THE NIAGARA MOVEMENT.

One of the largest attended meetings ever held in this city under the auspices of the Niagara Movement was held in the Metropolitan Church, M street between 16th and 17th streets, N. W., on Thanksgiving evening. It was the first public meeting of this movement and from the large attendance it was quite evident that the organization meets the approval of the people. Mr. John F. Cook was the presiding officer, with Prof. L. M. Hershaw as secretary, with several assistants. Mr. Cook made a most pointed opening address, which was loudly applauded. The musical program was arranged by Mr. Fassett, who was the chairman of the committee on music. Selections by Mr. Fassett, Miss Lola Johnson, Miss Beatriz L. Chase, Miss Nettie Murray, Mr. J. Gerald Taylor, Mr. Stanton Wormley, Mr. Winston Payne, Mr. Morrison Goodrich and the Octette from Alexandria, Va., were received with applause. Rev. R. F. Rivers of the Berean Baptist Church delivered a most eloquent prayer. He was followed by Hon. Geo. H. White, who delivered a eulogy on Albion W. Tourgee. Hon. D. K. Watson, of Ohio, delivered a eulogy on William Lloyd Garrison, and Mr. L. M. Hershaw delivered an address on the Niagara Movement. Mrs. Coralie Franklin Cook read Garrison's famous salutatory in the Liberator of January 1, 1831.

NEW PHYSICIAN.

Dr. C. Sumner Taylor, who has been visiting his friend George H. Woodson, of this city, for several weeks past, has just received his diploma from the State Board of Medical Examiners, having passed the examination entitling him to practice in Iowa, with a high mark. Dr. Taylor is a graduate of Howard University, Washington, D. C., and is a young physician who has by hard work won a right to practice his chosen profession. He will locate at Bueton and practice in Mahaska and Monroe counties.—Oskaloosa Daily Herald.

A NEW STAR.

Miss Eva Virginia Johnson is entitled to a place of notice among composers as a result of her very commendable composition ,the "Morava Waltz." The composition is admittedly rich in melody and one which appeals to the dreamy tripper of the light fantastic.

Miss Johnson is a daughter of this city, having successfully completed a course in music under a German professor here. She is now directress of music in Bennett College, Greensboro, N. C.

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In the Supreme Court of the District of Columbia.

Howard Broadus, Complainant, vs. Georgiana Broadus and Alphonso Waters, Defendants.

No. 24,903. Equity Docket No. 55.

The object of this suit is to obtain a absolute divorce on the grounds of adultery.

On botion of the complainant, it is this 29th day of November, A. D. 190 ordered that the defendant Alphons Waters cause his appearance to be entered herein on or before the fortiet day, exclusive of Sundays and legal holidays, occurring after the day of th first publication of this order; said order to be published in the Law Reporter and The Bee once a week for three weeks, otherwise the cause will be proceeded with as in case of default.

By the Court.

Thos. H. Anderson, Justice.

True Copy. Test:

John R. Young, Clerk.

By Wms. F. Lemon, Asst. Clerk.

LOCAL BUSINESS LEAGUE.

The next monthly meeting of the local Business League will be held in True Reformers Hall, Twelfth and U streets, Monday evening next, December 11, at 8 o'clock sharp, to which all citizens, male and female, whether actively engaged in business or desirous of promoting the development of business enterprises among the race, are cordially invited to attend. Admission free.

An excellent and appropriate program has been arranged and the monthly meetings of the local league are growing in numbers as well as in interest manifested. The speaker of the evening next Monday will be the celebrated Giles B. Jackson, attorney at law, Richmond, Virginia; musical selection by local talent and short business speeches by the following: Messrs. Chas. F. M. Browne and A. H. Underdown on "Fruits and Delicatessen Goods"; Dr. J. L. Board on "Drugs and Medicines"; Hon. G. W. Ellis on "Business Pursuits of Africa."

The remarkable interest which is being shown in the meetings of the local Business League is most gratifying and every citizen who loves his race and his country should make a sacrifice if necessary to come out to these monthly meetings and help by their presence, by their words of counsel and encouragement, and most of all by their patronage, to make the business enterprises of colored men and women in this community what they should be.

The officers of the local league are as follows: J. A. Lankford, president; William H. Davis, corresponding secretary; Lawyer Collins, financial secretary; A. S. Gray, recording secretary; Joseph Manning, treasurer; W. R. Griffin, first vice-president; Mrs. Mary Mossell, second vice-president; Danl. Freeman, sergeant-at-arms.

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The citizens of this city and many well-known business men have urged the Attorney General to appoint Attorney L. Melendez King one of the Justices of the Peace for the District of Columbia.

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MULLEY ABDUL AZIZ, SOMETHING OF A SPORT.

Besides His 300 Wives, Moroccan Ruler Has Bicycles, Cinematographs and Cameras for Amusements.

Tangier.—Although he has 300 wives, all pent up in the harem at the palace of Maghzen, at Morocco, Sultan Muley Abdul Aziz found time hanging heavy on his hands until he became a devotee of various civilized devices to amuse himself. He manages to keep things from becoming too dull by devoting himself largely to bicycles, cinematographs and photography.

Life in a Moorish harem is a very restricted affair. The women are prohibited from communicating with the outside world.

It is considered a defilement punishable by death for an outsider to behold one of the sultan's consorts, but Muley Abdul has disregarded this condition by allowing pictures he has taken of some of his wives to be published. He has also upset Mohammedan conventionalities in another way—by becoming a maker of pictures.

Mohammed said: "All painters are destined for the fires of hell."

The sultan's harem is recruited from all Moslem and the harem contains every shade of color from cream to ebony. Muley's mother herself was a Circassian woman who was purchased in Constantinople at a great price.

The standing of a woman in the harem is enhanced if she gives birth to a child. Of children there are many. Tradition has it that one great sultan was the father of no less than 950.

Children born in the harem do not stay there. All but a few are placed throughout the domains of the sultan, to grow up in ignorance, perhaps, of their high birth. A few children of the favorite wives are raised at the palace, but they are given little liberty for fear that they may gather a following and prematurely seek succession to the throne.

Periodically the sultan conducts a grand shakeup in the harem, when he confers on subjects in high standing such wives as he no longer cares to keep. To receive such a castoff wife is supposed to involve a great compliment. New wives fill up the ranks.

Up to the time the sultan introduced modern scientific playthings into the harem, the chief excitement of the wives was the semi-weekly parade before Muley Abdul to see which one he would pick out as his companion for the next day or two.

Moorish nobles raise their daughters with a view of fitting them for the harem of the sultan.

The sultan of Turkey has also taken to photography, but as the koran forbids taking likenesses of human beings Abdul Hamid is confined to landscape and architecture.

An American firm made a camera for him the fellow of which does not exist. Every bit of meal work in the camera is pure gold; those portions which in an ordinary camera are of wood are here made of the finest ivory; the bellows, which in a common mortal's machine are of ordinary leather, are made of the finest white morocco leather, lined with black velvet. The camera is inclosed in a case of white morocco, with a gold lock and key, the whole affair costing $8,000.

The worst of it is that the sultan takes wretched pictures. The unfortunate Turkish photographer who is giving him lessons is threatened with terrible pains and penalties if the pictures do not improve.

ARE WEDDED IN OLD AGE.

Couple Who Eloped in 1871 Just Married in Iowa—One 75, the Other 62.

Des Moines, Ia.—After living for 34 years with the servant girl with whom he eloped back in Ohio in 1871, a divorce from his deserted wife just having been obtained, George M. Wilson, of Seymour, aged 75, has married Rebecca S. Farmer, aged 62.

The news was communicated to the pension office to settle a controversy which has arisen as to whether the deserted wife in Ohio is entitled to a widow's pension, which she claimed, supposing her husband to be dead.

Wilson was not located until a few months ago, when the pension department found that he was alive at Seymour and living with Miss Farmer, although his wife was collecting a pension in Ohio. His two grown-up daughters came to Seymour to entreat him to return, but he refused. The wife then sued for divorce, it was secured, and Wilson has now married his aged paramour.

Pebble in Ear for Five Years.

Nicholas J. Phillipson, of Reading, Pa., while in the surf at the shore five years ago, experienced an odd pain in his left ear. Ever since at frequent intervals he felt pains in the ear. Phillipson was startled by something rolling from his ear and dropping upon the floor. Picking up the object, it proved to be a pebble about the size of a soup bean. The moment it left his ear his hearing became more acute, and he now has much relief. The pebble had apparently been washed into his ear while bathing and had remained there ever since.

The Editor's Conundrum.

According to the Bible Methuselah begat Lamech and lived 782 years thereafter. Lamech lived 182 years and begat Noah. Noah was 600 years old when the flood occurred. Was Methuselah drowned?

ON A STREET CAR.

Romance Has Just Culminated in Marriage—How Love Found a Way.

Grand Rapids, Mich.—Love will find a way. It's a trite old saying, but eternally true. Henry J. Heystek, head of the big wholesale paints and wallpaper firm of Heystek & Canfield, and Miss Anna Weiss, bookkeeper and daughter of a poor family, have again proved the saying.

Every morning Heystek, on his way to work, saw a good-looking girl on the Wealthy avenue car. He found out who she was, but there was no mutual acquaintance to introduce them, and Miss Weiss was not the sort of girl to become acquainted without the formalities.

Despairing of being able to meet her, Heystek sent her a big box of American Beauties on Christmas, hoping that in some manner the flowers might lead to an acquaintance. They did not, for Miss Weiss hadn't the least idea who sent them.

Just after New Year's his firm advertised for a bookkeeper. There were 300 applicants. Miss Weiss, dissatisfied with the place she had held, was one. Her letter was among the last received.

"This is the girl for us," said Heystek to his partner, and she was hired.

With the object of his affections working side by side with him he did not have courage enough to speak to her of the roses and actually left the city for a month for fear she might recognize him as the one who had signed: "An unknown street car admirer," to the note sent with the flowers.

On his return he began to walk home with the girl at lunch hour, and within two months had proposed. The marriage occurred a few days ago.

STRAW HAT GREW THIS HAIR

Dr. J. Conger Bryan Startles New Yorkers with a Summery Top-Piece.

New York.—Here is the newest Moses of them all. He speaks to all baldheaded men.

He would lead them back to the happy land where hair grows in abundance on domes of thought that to-day are innocent of other decoration than a fine polish.

He thinks the human race is fast approaching a permanent state of hairless wretchedness. At the present rate of departure there will be nothing but a race of men with shiny polls in another generation or two, if this prophet be right.

He says every man in the civilized world, himself excepted, is moulting fast.

This Moses is Dr. J. Conger Bryan, of this city. He has a radical cure for baldness, and in order to show the benefits of it he goes about the streets of the city every day with a remedy in plain sight. It is a straw hat. He playfully refers to it sometimes as "the cow's breakfast." When Dr. Bryan meets a doubter he promptly doffs his summery top-piece, displays a thick head of hair that is fast turning white and says proudly:

"My straw hat grew this hair and I can prove it."

Dr. Bryan believes his remedy for baldness should be worn the year round. When the mercury crawls down around the zero mark Dr. Bryan promises to make Fifth avenue and Broadway sit up and take notice of him this winter. Even now he attracts attention from the derby-hatted populace as he strolls along the streets.

REDWOOD GIANT WON'T DIE

Young Trees Grow from Monarch Felled Several Months Ago by Woodman.

Ukiah, Cal.—A redwood tree that refuses to die even after it has been cut down is a phenomenon that has been discovered by Frank Brown, of Phile, on his timber claim.

In selecting a tree for cutting into shakes a few months ago he felled a monarch of the forest more than 200 feet tall, and about eight feet in diameter at the base. On returning to the tree recently to put his shingle crew to work he was surprised to see several fresh limbs. Investigation proved that the limbs were small trees that were growing out of the fallen monster. Besides those that had attained considerable growth, several others were peeping through the bark.

Another peculiarity about the tree is that the shingles cut from it have no sap in them and are as light as the seasoned product. This is the first case on record where a redwood severed from the stump has begun new growth.

Must Needs Wed Family.

According to a decision of Justice Robert P. Wyatt, of Mahanoy City, Pa., a mother-in-law, is entitled to a home with her son-in-law who, he said, is duly bound to provide for her. Mrs. Marcella Rink had her son-in-law, Louis Peshink, arraigned before the justice for ejecting her from his home against the pleadings of Mrs. Peshink, the woman's daughter. Peshink was fined five dollars and ordered to provide his mother-in-law a home under his own roof.

Lincoln Letter Brings $100.

A letter written by Abraham Lincoln in 1841, relating to political affairs in Illinois, one of a number of autographs collected by Mrs. George M. Moulton, of Chicago, and sold at auction in New York, brought $100. An autograph poem signed by James Russell Lowell brought $23. A one page letter signed, but not written, by George Washington, February 20, 1790, sold for $28.

BIG G... TEST

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While ... Weapon Can Be ...ried by One Man and It Affords a Poor Target for the Enemy—Is Light and Easily Portable.

London.—Some highly interesting trials have been carried out before several officers of the British army with the new Rexer machine rifle. A great future may await this weapon if it practically solves the great difficulty heretofore experienced in the use of machine guns firing small-arm ammunition—i. e., the necessity of some description of wheeled transport. In general appearance the Rexer automatic machine gun resembles the ordinary rifle except that it has perforated casting surrounding the barrel. It weighs only 17½ pounds and is carried and used by one man. When in action, unless at exceedingly close range, it is impossible to distinguish between a Rexer gunner and an infantry soldier using the ordinary infantry weapon.

The numerous advantages of this weapon comprise lightness and portability, rapidity of fire, ease and quickness with which it can be brought into action and the small target which it affords to the enemy. The gun can be instantaneously adapted for either deliberate or automatic firing. The maximum speed of firing is about 15 rounds a second, and the changing of the clips, each of which holds 25 rounds, occupies only about the same space of time. The gun consists of a barrel and inclosed casing containing the mechanism and a stock.

The barrel is surrounded by an outer tube in which it travels backward and forward, being driven back by the recoil and forced forward into the firing position again by the action of a spring. During the recoil and the return the ejection of the spent cartridge and the insertion of a new one in the chamber is effected automatically by the mechanism. Toward the muzzle end of the outer casing of the barrel are two light legs, forming a support on which the gun can be readily trained in any direction.

A very important and valuable feature of the weapon is the dispensing with a water jacket for the cooling of the barrel. Notwithstanding the rapidity or duration of firing, the barrel keeps quite cool. In operation the soldier lies on the ground in the ordinary firing position. In transport the gun and 250 rounds of ammunition are easily carried by one man, or it can be carried on horseback in a bucket in the same manner as a carbine, together with 500 rounds, which are placed in handy magazines strapped to the saddle.

BIG GAIN IN GOLD OUTPUT

Total Yield of the World in 1904 Reached $347,325,644, According to Authority.

New York.—The total gold production of the world during the year 1904 was $347,325,644. This total, according to the Engineering and Mining Journal, is the largest on record, exceeding that of 1903 by $17,697,288, or 5.1 per cent.; that of 1902 by $48,912,651, or 14.1 per cent., and that of 1901 by $86,448,215, or 24.9 per cent. It was more than two and one-half times the average of the extraordinary decade which followed the discovery of gold in California and Australia.

Australasia retained the first rank, the United States second, the Transvaal third. The five great producers—Australasia, the United States, the Transvaal, Russia and Canada—report a total output of $287,432,111 or 82.8 per cent. of the total.

Not all this great increase has been due to discoveries of new gold deposits. A very considerable portion of it is the result of improved methods of treating ores.

OIL CENTER GOING WEST.

Territory Across Mississippi Produces More Than That in East According to Statistics.

Washington.—According to a report issued by the geological survey, the total output of crude petroleum in the United States in 1904 was 117,063,421 barrels. The total value was $101,170,466. The gain over the production of 1903 was 16,602,084 barrels in quantity and $6,476,416 in value.

For the first time the quantity of oil produced west of the Mississippi river was greater than that produced east of the river. New pools were discovered in Texas, California, Kansas, Indian territory and Oklahoma, and many extensions were made to the old fields.

The report says all indications point to an increase in the production of petroleum in the United States for a series of years.

The increased demand for petroleum in this country is attributed to the use of that article in automobiles.

Nothing the Matter with Kansas.

"What's the matter with Kansas?" Of the 105 counties in Kansas, says the Kansas City Journal, 44 are without a pauper, 25 have no poorhouses, 37 have not a single person in jail and 37 have not a criminal case on the docket. There's evidently less than ever "the matter with Kansas."

Our Real Need.

A Cleveland justice of the peace has been sent to the workhouse for collecting illegal fees. This country will never be able to achieve real greatness until it does away entirely with its justices of the peace.

TREE BEARS QUEER FRUIT.

Blood Red Apples, Connected with Legend of Indian Chief, Long Ago Murdered.

Susquehanna, Pa.—Prof. James A. Graves, of this city, has just sent to Prof. Surface, the state zoologist, a peculiar apple, the strange coloring of which has excited his curiosity and for which he cannot, although he is a botanist of 40 years' experience, account.

Prof. Graves says that last summer he was at Stockport, Pa., and was shown a very old apple tree on the estate of A. M. Preston. He was told that it bore apples with greenish yellow skin under which was a blood-red pulp to the core. He arranged that several of the apples should be sent to him when they ripened and he recently received them. They are ordinary looking on the outside, but upon cutting them open they are at first blood-red and near the core turn to a purple.

There is an Indian legend connected with the tree which is generally believed by the common people of the vicinity. An Indian chief of the Delawares, named Walla Wocka, was out hunting one day and was murdered by a member of his tribe, who, in order to conceal the crime, buried his body at the foot of the old apple tree.

The disappearance of the chief remained a mystery to his tribe until the fall of the year, when the apples, being plucked, were found to be blood-red.

Searching for the cause of this transformation members of the tribe dug about the roots and found the body of their murdered chief.

Ever since then the apples have remained blood-red, say those who recite the legend.

KISS ALBUM IS LATEST FAD

London Girl Invents Companion for Autograph Book—Impression of Lips Printed on Page.

London.—A clever young Kensington woman, Miss Evans, has devised a new kind of autograph album that is likely to be popular. It is contrived so as to enable the young woman not only to collect the autograph signatures of her friends, but to preserve also the imprints of their kisses.

The book is equipped with a little pad of a soluble carmine-tinted substance upon which the lips first are lightly pressed so as to take up a little of pigment.

Then the kiss is imprinted upon the page in a space provided for the purpose, leaving a clear carmine record of the pressure of the lips. By the side of the kiss print space is another for the autograph and the date, and together the kiss and the signature make a precious and intimate keepsake.

"It is really marvelous what a lot of character there is in kisses," says Miss Evans. "People who are not students of the subject have no idea how they vary. You know no two persons have finger prints alike, and so no two persons' kisses are the tiniest bit alike.

"I have 200 in one album and there is not one of them that you could possibly mistake for any other. The kiss prints look like kisses, too.

"The kiss album bears on the title page the motto:

"'Give me a kiss for a keepsake and a quotation dear as the remembered kisses.'

"To be complete the kiss album should be sprinkled liberally with kissing quotations from novelists as well as poets."

A DARING CHICAGO GIRL.

Fair Mountaineer Freezes Hands in Almost Successful Dash for Top of Aiguille de Grepon.

New York.—More than 250,000 persons have swarmed over the Alps in the last four or five months. Nearly 200 of them have been injured and 65 were killed.

Among thrilling ascents told of by returning tourists was the attempt of Miss Alma Brownlee, of Chicago, to scale Aiguille de Grepon in company with two guides. That she lived to relate her experience is hardly less than miraculous. Both her hands were frozen and she was on the verge of collapse when she descended to the village of Chamounix, at the base of Mont Blanc.

Miss Brownlee succeeded in reaching an altitude of about 10,000 feet, and would, no doubt, have been the first woman to reach the pinnacle of Aiguille had not further progress been barricaded by a blinding snowstorm. At the Inn of Chamounix, on the day following her hazardous excursion, Miss Brownlee told of her experience.

"Of course it was a mad thing to do," she said, "but having climbed several difficult peaks among the Rockies, preparatory to essaying the Matterhorn last year, it was my ambition to be the first woman to scale Aiguille.

"We were in the midst of a severe snowstorm several hours and then we abandoned hope of reaching the top. We struck a ledge on the edge of a precipice, where we had to camp for the night."

Is Not a Drunkard.

Though a man get drunk every Sunday for three years, if he stay sober during the week he cannot be charged with habitual drunkenness, according to a ruling of Judge Tyler in the Toledo (O.) common pleas. Gertrude Alcott applied for divorce on the ground of habitual drunkenness on the part of her husband, and showed by her evidence that he had secured a beautiful "jag" regularly every Sunday for the past three years. She showed that he had it so bad that he once got drunk while on crutches as the result of a broken leg. But the judge could not see that he was a habitual drunkard and refused the petition.

HAS CURE FOR INSANE

MOVABLE KIDNEY IS OFTEN CAUSE OF LUNACY.

English Physician Declares That If Simple Operation Were Performed Mental Disorders Would Frequently Be Averted.

London.—Dr. Suckling, of Birmingham, states that he has made the remarkable discovery that a large proportion of cases of insanity and other nervous diseases are due to movable kidney, and may be cured in a few months by a comparatively simple operation.

Dr. Suckling is an M. D. of London University, consulting physician to the Queen's and other hospitals in Birmingham, and author of works on the diseases of the nervous system.

Details of the discovery are fully described in a book just published by Dr. Suckling, and should all he claims for it prove correct it is possible lunacy may be reduced by nearly half.

"I found the movable kidney present," Dr. Suckling says, "in about 40 per cent. of women and 6 or 7 per cent. of men suffering from nervous disorders. Many women have committed suicide or been sent to asylums who might have been saved had the condition of their kidneys been discovered.

"In my own practice I can recall four such cases of suicide. One patient, while waiting admission into a hospital, drowned himself, and three others, whose parents would not allow them to be operated upon or had been frightened by their friends about the operation, also drowned themselves. Another case had to be removed to the asylum because I was not supported in my advice."

As to the cause of this complaint, they are many. Among those mentioned by Dr. Suckling are tight corsets, high-heeled shoes, falls from bicycles or horse, pulling down window sash or lifting heavy weights.

The modern craze for athleticism is also blamed. Horse exercise, cycling, golf, hockey or tennis may either cause the malady or increase its intensity.

Symptoms are even more numerous than the causes, ranging from actual mania to great mental depression and loss of memory to severe headaches, appendicitis, insomnia and even absolute loss of the power of walking.

In men irritability of temper is very frequent, and no doubt, says Dr. Suckling, spoils many of their careers. "I have no doubt," says Dr. Suckling, "from repeated experience in my practice, that women are sent to asylums without any examination being made and that a cause of insanity by dropped liver has never previously been recognized or treated. Therefore from a large and varied experience of these cases and realizing the astounding effects upon the cental condition, I say no man or woman should be sent to an asylum to-day without careful and repeated examination."

GOOD SURGICAL SUBJECT.

One with Most of Intestines Gone Deserts Hospital and Works—Was a Polander.

Wilkesbarre, Pa.—Physicians in the anthracite coal regions often marvel at the recovery of some of the foreign-born mine workers from injuries which would speedily kill a native, and they attribute this to the strong constitutions due to the simple lives of the foreigners and their ancestors.

A striking case in point was described at a meeting of the Luzerne County Medical society by Dr. Prevost. A Polish laborer was admitted to the Pittston hospital, and there it was necessary to perform an operation and remove nearly three feet of his intestines.

The man recovered and was discharged. Just a month later he returned to the hospital and an operation similar to the first one was performed, two feet being cut off. His condition was considered grave, but he was put to bed and again was recovering and was being held for further observation when he arose one night, wrapped himself in his blanket, stole out of the hospital and has not since been seen by the physicians.

They have learned that he walked some miles that night to his home and soon after that went to work and has been at work since.

LADS ENJOY HIGH LIVING.

Two Youths Dine on Narrow Top of a 15-Foot Smokestack—Trick a Daring One.

Mansfield, O.—At the height of 150 feet, on the narrow top of a newly constructed smokestack of the Mansfield Railway, Light & Power company's power station, Engineer B. B. Pierce of the power station, and James Brown, son of President J. E. Brown of the Aultman-Taylor Machine company and nephew of Mansfield's mayor, Huntington Brown, partook of their noonday repast, while passersby, gazing up, speculated on the chances of them falling off.

Mr. Brown is not a steeplejack, but he was game, and the two, by means of the workmen's scaffolding, climbed to the top of the stack.

The basket containing the dinner was hoisted to the top of the stack and the men claim to have enjoyed their unique repast thoroughly, though they don't expect to repeat the performance very soon.

What Will Czarlet Do?

If the revolution breaks out a few more times in Russia the czar, as cautious father, will begin to look about to see what trade he will have the czarlet learn.

WOMEN IN HARVEST FIELDS

They Save Farmers of South Dakota from Heavy Loss and Can Hold Office.

Scotland, S. D.—It is not generally known that women played an important part in the gathering of the vast crops of the prosperous South Dakota farmer, but it is a fact that a large part of the manual labor on the Bonhomme county farms was performed by women and girls.

When the farmer saw the vast fields of wheat and oats and other grains waving yellow and loaded with rich yielding heads, he was perplexed to find sufficient help to garner in the grain. Men were scarce and many times could not be had at the best of wages. The alternative was to call on the women. They responded nobly and to see women and girls driving six horses hitched to a binder or header in this part of the state was no unusual sight. Those who could not be used as drivers worked as ordinary men in the fields or at other menial labor.

Among the Russians in this country, women did most of the work this year. They all went at their tasks with light hearts and the farmer smiled when he saw his fields reaped and the grain gathered in stacks or thrashed. There were no fancy dresses worn in the fields, nor were there any fancy dishes on the tables of these thrifty people. There were no trees to shade the weary ones on the edges of the fields, nor did the fair ones carry umbrellas. They did not even think of these things, for it was the gathering of the crops that they were intent on.

Women and girls, when they worked away from home this summer, were paid as high as $2.50 a day, with their board. Farmers say that in many cases they are preferable to men, as they can be trusted.

Women in this state are also playing a very important part in the handling of political affairs. There is no law that says a woman cannot hold office. In fact, several are now holding the office of county superintendent of schools. Other offices have been filled with great honor by bright, pretty women. At the same time, the women of South Dakota make the very best wives to be found in the land.

POOR; STRIKES GOLD IN PIT

Assay Proves Ore to Be Worth $90 a Ton—Was Once a Gravel Deposit.

Los Angeles, Cal.—From the owner of a gravel pit on a small piece of land yielding a scant income to suddenly become the possessor of a paying gold mine is the transformation in the fortunes of M. M. Eshelman, of Tropico.

Near the intersection of Glendale avenue and Cypress street is the Eshelman house, situated on about two and one-half acres of land. A wash passes through the rear end and just beyond the wash the land runs into a low hill of decomposed red granite.

The face of this hill has been blasted and a pit has been scooped out; across the property teams have hauled hundreds of loads of gravel. There was more pay in the gravel business than the returns from the soil.

Suddenly the teams ceased coming to the little lot, and the word went out that the gravel pit was exhausted. The neighbors did not believe this, but accepted the story and awaited developments.

Soon the truth leaked out, and the report of the final blast that opened a yellow pocket of pure gold was spread with wide-eyed wonder.

The new mine owner was suspicious and beyond acknowledging that he had made a strike he would say nothing.

JOYOUS DREAM SHATTERED

Kalamazoo, Mich., Girl Said Hubby Looked as If He'd Live to Be 150, So She Left.

Mishawaka, Ind.—The dream of wedded bliss of David Hogenboom, aged 67 years, of this place, who took as his bride Miss Clara Van Voight, aged 35, of Kalamazoo, has been shattered after but two weeks of the honeymoon had passed.

Because her husband would not concede to her certain property and money Mrs. Hogenboom has returned to her home in Kalamazoo. When she married Hogenboom, she says, a prenuptial agreement was entered into whereby Hogenboom assigned to the young bride much of his property. After the marriage had been performed she discovered that she could control none of the property until after the old man's demise and she consequently said that unless he would consent to rearrange matters she would leave him. He had new papers drawn up and gave her $500, but she left for her home with the remark, it is alleged, "You look as if you would live to be 150 years old."

Deaf Mutes Are Experts.

Deaf mutes, their infirmity proving a help instead of a hindrance, have demonstrated that there is one kind of skilled work in which they far excel the ordinary artisan. A Chicago telephone factory after a series of experiments made the discovery. It was found that to the making of the delicate mechanism of the modern telephone, the deaf mute, by reason of the manual development incident to constant use of the sign language, is peculiarly adapted. One hundred and fifty of the deaf mutes, it is announced, are now given employment in the factory at standard wages.

Fortune Smiles in Right Direction.

An Iowa man while cutting corn unearthed a pot of gold. Let the youth of the land observe that the man was working when this bit of luck struck him, not loafing around a livery stable.

TOO BUSY TO LIVE.

GEN. JACOB SMITH'S STORY OF DOLLAR-CHASING YANKEES.

Ex-Army Officer, Just Back from Leisure-Loving Paris, Tells of Day with Friend a Characteristic Lightning Pace.

New York.—Brig. Gen. Jacob Hurd Smith, popularly known as "Hell-Roaring Jake," who was recently retired from the army by President Roosevelt, has come to the conclusion that we are a feverish people over on this side of the water.

Gen. Smith has been enjoying a two years' stay in Europe, particularly Paris, where, although they know how to be gayer, the people do not kill themselves in a rush to do business. Illustrative of how avid to get ahead Americans now appear to him, Gen. Smith tells the following story:

"I go and visit a friend in Chicago. I drop into his office in the middle of the morning, because his office, God knows, is the only place where you're sure of finding him.

"'Why, how do you do, Smith,' says he. 'Bless your soul, I'm glad to see you. Now sit right down. I've got a great rush on this morning. Here's a paper. Just make yourself comfortable, will you, and we'll have a great old visit in a few minutes.'

"Well, in about an hour I finish the paper and I sit looking reproachfully at Oscar. He sees me looking up. The office boy has just dumped down a basketful of papers before him.

"'Sorry as I can be, Jake,' says he, 'something new has come up. Wait half an hour, will you, and we'll go to lunch.'

"I wait. We rush to a restaurant. He orders pork and beans, a piece of pie, and a glass of milk. I order a good lunch. At my time of life I owe it to my stomach, and besides I'm a loafer now. In ten minutes he's through and I'm just started.

"'Excuse me, won't you, Jake?' says he. 'Got to rush back. Take your time and drift in on me again. I'm going to have more time this afternoon and we'll have a great talk.' He is gone. I finish

GEN. JACOB H. SMITH.
(He Says Everybody in America Is Too Busy to Loaf.)

eating and loaf back. Oscar is talking at the telephone.

"'Dearborn 421,' says he. 'Yes, get it quick. Hello, Jack! Say, old man, I'm awfully sorry, but there's a directors' meeting in half an hour. I've had such a busy day. I'll tell you what to do. I'll give you a card to a man I know, and he'll show you the Masonic Temple— Yes—this is Oscar.' When he's through telephoning he scribbles some hieroglyphics on a card.

"'Take that to the office of the temple,' he says, 'and they will show you a good time, and come back at half past four. I'll have a carriage here, and we'll take a long drive around the city. You wouldn't know the place, it's growing so.'

"I go to the Masonic Temple. The man in charge is polite and entertaining. I enjoy myself with him. Still, he isn't an old friend.

"At half-past four I go back. There's a carriage with a fine team waiting outside Oscar's office.

"'Jake,' says he, 'this is about the worst run of luck I ever had. There's another directors' meeting right away. A new matter came up in the trust company. You just hop into the carriage and John will drive you around. He knows the city better than I ever dreamed of knowing it. Tell him to land you at my house about seven and you and Mollie and I will have dinner together.' Mollie's his wife.

"The army in me kind of rises up right there.

"'Oscar,' I say, 'I came to see you and not Chicago nor John. I'm going to go to a hotel. I'm going to put on my dinner clothes and I'm going to dine with Mollie, whether you show up or not. Mollie's probably nailed down where I can reach her.'

"I do as I say. Mollie is glad to see me. I've known her ever since we used to dance together at army hops. We've been 'Mollie' and 'Jake' to each other since before you were born, young man.

"We have a good time. At seven we sit down to dinner. Mollie explains that it's never any use to wait for Oscar. He is so busy. After dinner I smoke and she embroiders, and we both talk. Ten o'clock and no news from Oscar. I bid her good night and go back to the hotel.

"More for deviltment than anything else I see Oscar again in the morning.

"'By Jove, I was mighty sorry about yesterday,' says he, looking up from the telephone. 'Don't know when I've had such a day.'

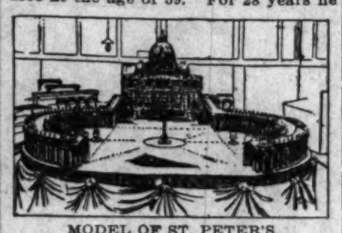
"'Oscar,' I say, 'you aren't lying to an old friend. You're just deceiving yourself. They're all busy days. You're chasing the dollar, Oscar, until your head's a money bag.'

"That's the end of that visit. I proceed to another town and duplicate it."

WONDERFUL PIECE OF WORK

Marvelous Model of St. Peter's at Rome Which Took a Monk 28 Years to Produce.

London.—Probably ere long people in America will have an opportunity of seeing the exquisite model of St. Peter's, Rome, which attracted a deal of attention when placed on exhibition in London recently. The reproduction from the photograph here shown of necessity conveys only a faint idea of the fidelity and accuracy with which the architectural masterpiece of the world has been reproduced. It measures eight feet in height from the base to the top of the dome, 21 feet in length and ten feet in width. Its creation is due to the genius, patience and piety of a Dominican lay brother, Andrea Gambassini, who died in 1838 at the age of 59. For 28 years he



MODEL OF ST. PETER'S.
(Extraordinary Piece of Work Which Occupied 28 Years of a Monk's Life.)

worked at it unrelentingly, encouraged in turn by Leo XII., Pius VIII. and Gregory XVI. It was a labor of love with the poor Dominican. No hope of pecuniary gain stimulated him. Not only is the exterior of the Basilica, with its hundreds of statues of popes and bishops and saints, reproduced with scrupulous exactitude, but the interior is also portrayed with the same painstaking fidelity. By an ingenious mechanism the church can be opened, revealing its numerous chapels, altars, paintings and statuary. The materials employed are precious woods and ivory—the latter for the statuary, which are identical in all but size with the marble originals. When one considers the enormous amount of the most delicate workmanship involved, the wonder is that one pair of hands and a single lifetime sufficed for such a task.

Shortly before his death Gambassini had the great satisfaction of seeing his work completed, and placed in the wonderful museum of the vatican. There it remained until 1849, when Pius IX presented it to the prince of Torlogna, syndic of Rome, for distinguished services rendered to the holy see. Had Gambassini foreseen the day when it would pass into the hands of those who were strangers to his faith, and be treated as a commercial commodity, it is doubtful if he would ever have finished it. Like its original, it is the greatest work of its kind in the world.

MAY RETIRE FIRST YEAR.

Lieutenant General Chaffee Contemplates Leaving Army to Give Bates Longer Term.

Washington.—Lieut. Gen. Adna R. Chaffee, chief of staff of the United States army, may retire January 1 and be succeeded by Maj. Gen. John C. Bates, now assistant chief of staff.

Gen. Chaffee is not compelled to go on the retired list until April. If he remains until that time Gen. Bates will enjoy only a short term as chief

GEN. ADNA R. CHAFFEE.
(Army Officer Who May Retire from Service January 1.)

of staff, as he will reach the age of retirement in August, and according to the general understanding will be succeeded by Maj. Gen. Henry C. Corbin, who will go on the retired list next September.

There are indications that this programme may be somewhat broken up. Many officers hope so. Those who have watched the progress of the general staff since its establishment in August, 1903, are united in the opinion that it has not yet begun to work smoothly. The reason is ascribed to the frequent changes in the post of chief of staff.

Electricity Awakens India.

An electrical awakening in India is supplementing the hydroelectric stations at Mysore, the largest in southern Asia, with big plants in the Punjab. The power is to be generated on the Bari canal and transmitted over a distance of 70 miles to Lahore and 100 miles to Amritsar. Coal at these cities now costs from $5 to $6 per ton, so that the low price at which electric power will be supplied is expected to lend great interest to industrial enterprises at Lahore and Amritsar. Another London association has been formed to develop hydraulic power in the Jumna river, and to transmit electric power to Delhi, 140 miles distant, and possibly to Simla, 95 miles distant in the opposite direction.

RARE ORCHID FOUND

LOST FIFTY YEARS, REDISCOVERED IN THIBET.

Of Original Stock Only One Plant Remained—Flower Has White Ground Veined with Violet Purple.

London.—An orchid which for 50 years has baffled all the attempts of collectors to find its native haunts has been rediscovered.

The orchid is the Cypripedium Fairieanum, which was one of a random collection made in Assam in 1857, sent to London in the same year, and bought by a Mr. Fairie, of Liverpool, in whose possession it bloomed, and was duly hailed and described in orchid literature as one of the most beautiful orchids hitherto known.

Several other plants of the same orchid came with it, and the species was at once named Fairieanum, after Mr. Fairie. From the day of its first discovery up to a few months ago, in spite of scores of expeditions and perilous journeys by collectors, not a single plant was found.

The original stock of plants in Britain gradually dwindled, until only one specimen was left, Sir Trevor Lawrence, the president of the Royal Horticultural society, being the proud possessor for many years of the only known Fairieanum, a very small specimen, which, of course, was priceless.

An orchid specialist says that at a time when orchid growers had roasted to death the cherished Fairieanums by giving them too much heat, acting on the idea that, coming from some Indian region, the plants must require great heat, and had weakened them to death by cross-breeding, for which the plant was eminently valuable, some member of the Thibet expedition discovered a whole bunch of the plants.

He sent them along to Calcutta, whence two were dispatched to Kew, and others are gradually coming through to England.

At Kew the plants' identity has been established beyond all doubt, for one

CYPRIPEDIUM FAIRIEANUM.
(Whose Native Haunt on the Thibet Border Has Been Rediscovered.)

has flowered since its arrival. If these two, and perhaps half a dozen others, had been all that were found, they would sell at fabulous sums, for such growers as Baron Schroeder, Mr. Chamberlain and a few others would be ready to give immense prices for a specimen. But the fact that nearly 200 have been discovered cheapens the species, and incidentally robs Sir Trevor Lawrence of a long cherished distinction.

"Probably another 50 years will elapse ere more Fairieanums are found," said a British specialist, "for no private collecting expedition is likely to venture into such a country. My own belief is that unless another military expedition traverses the same ground there will never again be a chance of getting plants."

The plant flowering at Kew has five growths and two flowers. The second plants developing five blooms. The flower has a slender, hairy scape about ten inches in height, a prominent and charming dorsal sepal, one and three-quarters inches in length by one and one-quarter inches in breadth, with a white ground beautifully veined with violet-purple, and with brownish-green veins near the center and whitish hairs around the margin.

The petals droop and have an upward curve at the tips; they are one and one-half inches in length, with a white ground streaked with purple and yellow. The upper margin of the petals is much undulated, and covered with prominent purple hairs. The pouch is rather small, greenish-brown in color, veined with brownish red and covered with short hairs.

Why He Contributed.

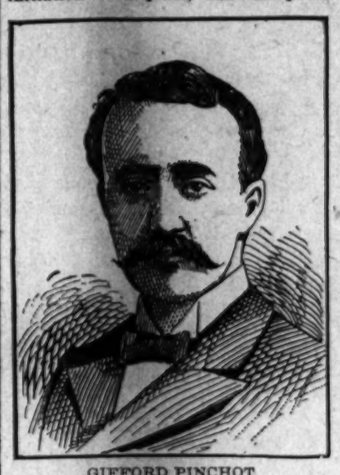
Not long ago, says a well-known university graduate, an old New England preparatory school found itself so overcrowded that its income would not meet expenses. It was proposed to raise the tuition, a measure that would have solved the financial difficulty, but would have shut out boys of limited means, such as before had been able to work their way through, and were now among the best graduates of the school. The cry went out to increase the endowment for the sake of the poor boys. "I shall respond," said one rich graduate, who had a growing family, "not so much on the poor boys' account as to try to save alive at least one school where a rich man's son can get to know some boys who are not exactly in the same general case as himself. I don't want my boys to go to school and then to college with the same lot of mates, and come to grown-up years thinking that their kind is the only kind worth knowing."

HOW BACON "RODE GOAT"

Initiated by President Roosevelt and Gifford Pinchot Into "Kitchen Cabinet."

Washington.—Robert Bacon, the new first assistant secretary of state, was initiated into the kitchen cabinet recently by President Roosevelt. Other members of the kitchen cabinet are Gifford Pinchot, forester of the United States; James R. Garfield, chief of the bureau of corporations; Senator Lodge, of Massachusetts, and one or two other close friends of the president.

It rained pitchforks on the day the initiation took place, and the presi-



GIFFORD PINCHOT.
(He Helped President Initiate Bacon Into "Kitchen Cabinet.")

dent sent word to Pinchot and Bacon to come to the white house at four o'clock.

"Put on some old clothes," the president's message said, "for I intend to initiate Bacon."

Bacon is rich, so is Pinchot, and the question of clothes does not bother them much. They were at the white house at four o'clock in natty business suits, patent-leather shoes, and all sorts of things. They found the president dressed in an old disreputable suit with rough rider hat and a pair of heavy shoes. The president looked at Bacon and Pinchot, grinned, and said:

"Come on, we'll take a tramp."

They went out into the rain. The president led the way and took his companions out Pennsylvania avenue, through Georgetown, and down a narrow street to the bank of the canal. There is a bridge about a mile down the canal, but none at the point where the president stopped.

"O, well," said President Roosevelt, "it doesn't matter, Bacon, you take our watches and pocketbooks; Pinchot and I will wade across. You go down to that bridge yonder and meet us on the other side."

"Not by a darn sight," said Bacon, who was athletic himself when he was in college. "I came out on this walk with you, and I am going where you go."

"Bully," shouted the president. "Come on, then."

He plunged into the canal, and Pinchot and Bacon followed. The water was about three feet six inches deep at its deepest point. The three men waded across, the president leading. They were thoroughly wet from the heavy rain, so a further ducking made no difference, but when the president got to the other side and looked at the patent leather shoes and natty business suits of Bacon and Pinchot he grinned again.

They walked several miles on the other side of the canal and came swinging back to the city at six o'clock. The president told Bacon that he had been initiated as a full-fledged member of the kitchen cabinet. Bacon is now open to all sorts of invitations from the president for exercise in the open air.

KEEPS CANAL FUNDS.

E. Jesse Williams Appointed Treasurer and Disbursing Officer of Isthmian Commission.

Chicago.—E. Jesse Williams, of Evanston, who has been appointed by President Roosevelt treasurer and disbursing officer of the Panama isthmian canal commission, has been connected with the Northwestern railroad ten

E. JESSE WILLIAMS.
(Treasurer and Disbursing Officer of Panama Canal Commission.)

years as paymaster and auditor. He is also city comptroller of Evanston. He was educated at Northwestern university, and was a half-back on the university football team. He is a member of the Evanston Golf club. The salary of his new position is said to be $12,000.

In French Prisons.

Statistics of prisons show that 12 men to one woman are imprisoned in this country. In France the proportion is five to one.

NORWAY ELECTS KING

PRINCE CHARLES OF DENMARK IS CHOSEN SOVEREIGN.

New Monarch Comes of Ancient Stock and Has Seafaring Tastes—May Assume Title of Haakon VII.

Christiania, Norway.—By a majority of almost four to one the people of Norway have declared that they would be governed by a king. The advocates of a republic made a determined campaign for that form of government, but the result of the balloting showed that preference for a monarchy was overwhelming.

The sovereign chosen by the people is Prince Christian Frederick Carl Georges Valdemar Axel, better known as Prince Charles of Denmark.

As second son of the crown prince he has had almost no governmental experience, having confined his activities to the navy. But it is this seafaring training that especially endears him to the modern generation of Norse Vikings. The people believe in the "sailor prince."

Prince Charles of Denmark comes of the ancient Oldenburg stock. He is the second son of Prince Frederick, heir apparent to the Danish throne, and with his brothers and sisters was reared in an unpretentious way in the old feudal palace of Amalienberg.

Prince Charles, whose full name is Christian Frederick Carl Georges Valdemar Axel, was born at Copenhagen, August 3, 1872. He was educated in the public schools and in the naval academy, and almost all his activities have been confined to the marine department of King Christian's government. He, however, passed all his examinations with high honors, and upon his graduation was made a lieutenant in the navy. In manner he is quiet and unassuming, caring little for display and ceremonial, but is persevering and energetic in all his undertakings.

Prince Charles has Bernadotte blood in his veins, for his mother is the only daughter of King Charles XV. of Sweden and Norway.

For a time his mother opposed his union with the English Princess Maud,

PRINCE CHARLES OF DENMARK.
(He Has Been Selected as New King of Norway.)

having resolved that he should wed the young Queen Wilhelmina of Holland, who, it was said, looked upon Charles with friendly eyes. Charles, however, was in love with his British relative, and in opposition to his mother's wishes won her as a bride.

Princess Maud Alexandra, who will be the first queen that Norway has had in years, is the youngest daughter of King Edward of England, and is first cousin to her husband. They were married in Buckingham palace, London, July 22, 1896, and since that time have led a happy, simple life in Copenhagen. It is said that they are as devoted to each other to-day as they were during their courtship. They have one son, Prince Alexander, who was born July 2, 1903.

Both are described as cheery, fond of laughter, and possessed of sunny dispositions. Before her marriage the princess was noted for her love of outdoor sports, and was known to her intimates as "Prince Hal." She has traveled extensively incognito, and has mixed freely with persons in ordinary stations of life.

It is said that Prince Charles, upon assuming the scepter, will take the title of Haakon VII., as Haakon VI., who died in 1319, was the last independent and distinct monarch of Norway. It is recalled further that a former King Haakon, who was very popular in Norway, was brought up at the court of King Athelstane of England, and was recognized as the foster-son of that ruler.

In person Norway's new ruler is simple, unaffected, and good looking. He is a keen shot, an excellent horseman, and so keen a sportsman as to excite admiration even in England.

Quick Delivery of a Letter.

It is a curious fact that a century and a half ago a letter traveled much faster than ever it has done since. It was in 1753 that Lord March made a heavy wager that he would cause a letter to be carried 100 miles within an hour. His lordship engaged a score of cricketers, all expert throwers and catchers, had the missive inclosed in a ball, and, arranging his men at intervals in a circle, got them to throw the ball as swiftly as possible from one to another. At the end of the hour it was found that the letter had traveled almost exactly 120 miles.

Odd Place for Nest.

A large centrifugal pump at a Brighton (England) bath stopped working, and an examination revealed the presence in a pipe of a pigeon's nest with two eggs. To reach its nest the bird had to find its way through a six-inch diameter pipe—horizontal for six feet, and bending sharply into a six-feet perpendicular.

PRESIDENT'S BIRTHPLACE.

Modest Cottage in South Quincy, Mass., Where Second Adams' First Saw Light of Day.

Boston.—Close by the house in which President John Adams first saw the light of day is the modest lean-to cottage where he went to live with Abigail, his wife, after their marriage in 1764, and where John Quincy Adams was born. The house is still standing in South Quincy at the corner of Independence avenue and Franklin street. The latter street was the old Plymouth highway in colonial days, so that the house was passed by those traveling to and from Boston.

At present this house is in the care of the Quincy Historical society, and is open to visitors. It contains

JOHN QUINCY ADAMS' HOUSE.
(Cottage Where John Adams Lived After His Marriage.)

many interesting articles owned by the Adams family and used during the period when the house was occupied by John and Abigail.

This house has a more than passing interest from the fact that it was there Abigail wrote the famous letters to her husband while the latter was attending the continental congress in Philadelphia. Alone with her son, John Quincy Adams, she passed many lonely days and nights waiting for the return of the husband and father and the close of the war that was to mean so much to them.

As related in her letters, the house was besieged with weary soldiers every day on their way to Boston. As she wrote to her husband: "My house is in confusion; soldiers coming in for lodging, for breakfast, for supper, for drink. Sometimes refugees from Boston, tired and fatigued, seek an asylum for a day, a night, a week."

This old house, like all buildings erected in its day, is provided with ample fireplaces, but even those glowing hearths were not sufficient to keep the place warm during the terribly cold winter of 1775-1776, when Mr. Adams was away, and Abigail, writing to him, often had to stop in her correspondence because the ink had frozen and her fingers were numb with the cold.

And yet, despite the difficulties under which she lived, it was in this house that Abigail Adams wrote at this time to her husband: "Let us separate from the king's party. Let us renounce them, and instead of supplication, as formerly, let us beseech the Almighty to blast their counsels and bring to naught all their devices."

NEW RAILROAD Y. M. C. A.

Handsome Structure Donated by Miss Helen Gould to Be Erected in St. Louis.

St. Louis.—The accompanying drawing is that of the Railroad Y. M. C. A. building, which will be erected in this city in the near future. Miss Helen Gould purchased for $41,000 a lot on which the building will stand, and generously donated a further sum of $159,000 for the structure. The terminal lines are asked to contribute $500 per month toward its maintenance, and to furnish light, heat and

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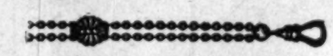

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